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# THIS MADE ATILLA SHOUT

OUCH! Star Melbourne inside right, Atilla Abonyi gasps as he is tackled aggressively by South Melbourne Hellas right half, Litolopous, at St. Kilda Cricket Ground, last Sunday.

Notice the position of Litopolous's legs as he tackled Abonyi during an exciting incident in the first half of the game.

The result was that referee, Bob. Armstrong, awarded a free kick to Abonyi.

The biggest crowd, 6,624, for last weekend's games saw the match, won by Melbourne, 5-1.

Abonyi, who scored two goals, was again an outstanding player.

He is a dashing, local developed forward who has shown his superiority over the most expensive imported players he has played against.

He's at present leading the State League goalscorers' list with Tony Hughes (J.U.S.T.) with 16 goals.

Read Geoge Yelland's comprehensive report on the Melbourne-Hellas game in page 4.

Picture: UWE KUESSNER.

## How to clean up our game

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## What's wrong Dandenong?

By MARTIN HARRIS

**What's gone wrong with Dandenong City, a team who at the beginning of the season were confident of finishing in the top four?**

They're now precariously placed third from bottom in the first division and in grave danger of being relegated.

It appears that all is not well in the Dandy camp, with several players not pulling their weight and certain officials showing an apathetic attitude.

In this rapidly developing district it is essential Soccer keeps to the forefront of sporting activities.

Dandenong can't afford to lose first division status and there could be a big showdown shortly.

● Now read Metro Roundup — Page 9.

# 'SYDNEY NO HOPERS'

## –Move for Super League

From MARTIN ASTON in Sydney

**The N.S.W. Soccer Federation's management committee is such "A bunch of no hopers" that a National League competition should be started as soon as possible.**

A leading Sydney official, Mr. Sam Fiszman, who is president of the Hakoah club, told this to thousands of television viewers last Saturday morning.

He was referring to the way in which the management committee made a decision on a proposed "double header" program involving Apia v. Hakoah and Pan Hellenic v. St. George Budapest by tossing a coin.

This followed a complaint by Pan Hellenic secretary George Pappas that this club should not have to play in the first game.

Apia's president Mr. Eddie Provera walked out in disgust and refused to allow his club to take part in the program when the management committee decided to toss a coin.

**"What a joke . . . they haven't even got the guts to make a decision for themselves," he said later.**

Mr. Fiszman is calling for a Super League for "whoever is worthy of drawing a crowd."

"Australia is wide open for a good game of Soccer, but you lose heart if you see no progress," he said.

Sydney has no place for 12 mediocre clubs.

"There are only five or six who can truly be called a first division club.

**"We are losing too many good people from Soccer and they will not be tempted to come back until there is a re-organisation of how our Soccer is being run.**

"There should be a representative from each club on the management committee."

The N.S.W. management committee is made up of independent men who are elected by the N.S.W. Federation's Council of clubs.

FOOTNOTE: In Victoria Soccer is under club control run by a board of eight men who are all club officials.

# SET THE DOGS ON OUR BAD BOYS!

By JOHN GORTON, vice-president of the Victorian Soccer Federation.

**It is a tragedy of the local Soccer scene that the great progress that the game has made in recent years, and the progress that is still being made in the improvement of the standard of play, suffers a series of regular setbacks, largely as a result of the adverse publicity that results from any incidents, serious or otherwise, at local matches.**

Problems facing Soccer in Australia are multitudinous and it will be many years before it is generally accepted as an established sport by the Australian population. This is particularly so in Victoria, where it is confronted by the purely local phenomenon known as Australian Rules Football.

It is widely recognised that Soccer is the only true form of football, and irrespective of the views of the local population, it is the only internationally accepted winter sport, and indeed there is not a single country in the world in which it is not played.

Australian Rules Football, however, has about as much chance of succeeding overseas as the chances that a snow-ball would have of surviving in hell. Opposition to Soccer in Victoria is, therefore, based largely on pure prejudice and fear, and the opposition controlling as it does the weight of opinion, the local press is bound to exaggerate out of all proportion the limited number of incidents that undeniably bring disgrace to the game.

Unfortunately the game also suffers at the hands of certain malicious Soccer journalists. These types, with chips on their shoulders the size of the M.C.G., while pretending to be Soccer lovers, appear to take great satisfaction from publicly rubbishing the game, particularly on radio and television, at every opportunity. One must often wonder whether in fact these people are not prostituting their own true beliefs in order to serve the established policies laid down by their employers.

Whatever the motives, however, the results are evident, and these men are among the greatest enemies of Soccer.

We must accept the fact that Soccer is a sport followed in the main by members of the migrant communities. In the same way as Australians living and travelling abroad are attracted to their fellow countrymen and sponsor little bits of Australiana in foreign lands, so the newcomers to this country tend to cling together in communities and attach their pride and affection to anything that is allied to the country of their birth.

**Australians by nature, are an insular people, and consequently they must learn to accept insularity in people of other nationalities.**

Understandably, however, they find it difficult to accept blood-letting as a way of life, and insist that this is one feature of European life that the migrants must learn to leave behind. The leading Soccer clubs in Victoria are associated with national groups and it must be recognised that the growth of the game has only been made possible by the cultivating of nationalistic fervor.

I am of the opinion that while this may be gradually dissipated in the future it will nevertheless, be with us for many years to come.

There is, however, a tendency to blame Soccer for fermenting the inbred natural excitability of emotional people. Let us emphasise that while a Soccer arena, with its atmosphere and excitement naturally does become the place for people to let off steam, Soccer cannot be held responsible for the behavior of certain sections of the migrant community.

The migrant communities must take a very large share of the credit for the enormous post-war growth in Australia, by devoting their energies and industriousness to the benefit of themselves and their adopted country. But we cannot expect the behavior patterns of people to change in one or two decades, and it is to the credit of Soccer and its administrators that the game has provided a common meeting ground for the people of many races.

**The problem is, therefore, how to attract the British and Australian communities to follow Soccer every week, while at the same time maintaining the interest of the migrant communities.**

Let us start by recognising that crowd control is a vital factor, and at our main stadiums the arenas should be completely encircled by a high unclimbable fence to prevent excited minorities from invading the pitch at will.

Don't let us bury our heads in the sand and pretend that strong measures are not necessary. They are not only necessary, but unless they are taken the game will go backwards and not advance. The stands should be subject to higher charges than the outer, so that people who can afford it can watch the matches in comfort and perhaps enjoy a more peaceful atmosphere.

If police horses cannot cope with the rabble, try using dogs with competent handlers. Don't be afraid of tough measures to discipline the bad boys. If they must blow their top at the Soccer ensure then the remedies will be painful.

A major task facing the administrators is to effect an immediate improvement in the standard and ability of the club officials, particularly in the State League clubs, because of the fact that they are the major clubs and attract most followers. A Board of Enquiry should be established, consisting of Soccer administrators with established reputations for good administration and devotion to the welfare of the game.

This Board should closely examine the administration of clubs together with the standing and ability of its officials, and should have the power to disapprove the appointment of any official not matching up to the required standards. It should examine administrative procedures in the clubs and the Federation, and also make recommendations on methods that can be employed at grounds to ensure the safety of referees, players and spectators.

The qualifications of officials must be carefully vetted so that it can be shown that they are at least responsible people, respected in their own communities and with the ability to lead their communities to higher standards of conduct. I may be accused of wishing to create some form of "Star Chamber", and I do not deny this. It has been proved that in certain circumstances democracy does not work, and direction and leadership are needed. Soccer is in this position today.

## Summer school

Readers of Soccer News may recall that last year I advocated that a summer school be established where Club Secretaries and other officials can be taught the requirements of good administration. We educate our referees with referees' courses, surely the clubs are equally important, and that the officials behind the scenes must be as competent as the officials in the middle of the match. In spite of the criticism, I have heard certain club and Federation officials level at referees, I am of the opinion that the standard of refereeing is very much higher than the management that many clubs enjoy.

I have recently been shown documentary evidence that has satisfied me that the administration of even our leading clubs leaves a lot to be desired, and, indeed, one letter I was shown, if it had been published, would have constituted a direct invitation of the followers of a club to riot when a certain referee appeared. This letter was written by the secretary of a prominent club, but fortunately was suppressed by a responsible editor. And I am grateful to Soccer News that it was not published.

I have the deepest admiration and respect for most of the club officials and Federation administrators. Victoria is fortunate in having many able men connected with the game. But one rotten apple can contaminate the whole bucket, and far too many good men have left the game as a result of the sheer frustration of having to work with some people of inferior quality. Let us remember that the game is greater than the individual, and let us take steps, therefore, to weed out the undesirables.

## Mortgaged home

Over the years many people have not only devoted a vast amount of time to the promotion of Soccer in this country, but vast amounts of money have been spent by individuals. I have even heard of one man who mortgaged his home to raise money for his favorite club. Keen supporters and good club men are not the prerogative of the State League.

In the Metropolitan League there are many excellent clubs, led by dedicated men, and these people have got to be encouraged. The future of the game is assured if we can retain the good men that are associated with the sport, and encourage new people of the right calibre to come in with us.

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# Melbourne are on top again

**Melbourne have quickly regained leadership of the State League following their cracking win over S.M. Hellas and with five rounds to go are favorites to win the 1967 title.**

But it's only on goal average that Melbourne get their nose in front of Juventus who share the same points.

Juventus, lucky to scramble a point from their game with Hakoah, may run out of this necessary commodity before the season ends and must rely more on the skills and teamwork of the game if they hope to be in at the finish.

Croatia's title hopes have faded into almost obscurity although they still retain a place in the four and, together with Melbourne, Juventus and Hakoah, could form the Victorian competitors for the Australia Cup.

The rapid rise of J.U.S.T. has not gone unnoticed although they may have left their challenge too late, while the steadily improving George Cross are poised to displace Polonia in the top eight and the night Soccer competition.

The relegation issue is much the same, although Makedonia have jumped above Alexander on goal average. Title and relegation-wise, it's a close tussle all the way.

Here are the week-end highlights:—

● Melbourne have lost only one match in their last 11 outings. That was against Croatia three weeks ago when they went down by a single goal defeat. It's interesting to note their previous defeat was in the sixth round when South Melbourne Hellas beat them 2-1. However, Melbourne made amends for this slip-up by inflicting one of the heaviest defeats for a long time on the reigning league champions.

● Tony Hughes, of Footscray J.U.S.T., and Ottie Abonyi, of Melbourne, share the lead in the individual scoring race. Both have 16 goals apiece. Jim Armstrong drops to second place with 15 following Hakoah's scoreless draw against Juventus while Elysses Kokinos, of S.M. Hellas, is third with 11.

● Croatia introduced their new centre-forward, Alfred Glaser, in the second half of the match against George Cross.

● Both games between Hakoah and Juventus have resulted in no-scoring draws. Hakoah have failed to score in three games this season, while Juventus have failed to find the net on four occasions.

● Alexander, with only seven points to their credit, have taken three of them from Slavia.

● Sandy Jones, originally a centre-forward, but who has been playing in defence for Slavia most of the year, scored his first goal of the season against Alexander.

● It's significant that Ian Currie, who joined Makedonia from Croatia in the fourth round of the league program, has scored exactly half of his side's total of 20 goals.

● Polonia introduced a new forward in the second half of their game with Makedonia. He was Ziggy Gadecki, who only arrived last Thursday and played with Gdenia.

● Cido Cirkovic (Footscray J.U.S.T.) and Attila Abonyi (Melbourne) both scored from penalties while John Anderson (Hakoah) and Con Nestorides both missed from the spot last week-end.

● A couple of weeks back, Johnny Sanchez scored from a penalty for George Cross at his second attempt. Last week it was the reverse in the Hakoah v. Juventus match. Johnny Anderson had the ball in the net with his first shot but was ordered to retake the kick for an infringement and missed at the second attempt.

● Surprise omission from the Juventus side against Hakoah was forward Jimmy Malloy. Malloy wasn't even named as one of the four reserves.

Corresponding results of the first round games were: Hakoah 3, Alexander 0; Melbourne 3 Lions 1; George Cross 4; Slavia 4; S.M. Hellas 4, Preston Makedonia 2; Footscray J.U.S.T. 0, Juventus 1; Croatia 2, Polonia 1.

### LIONS v. MELBOURNE

Only one thing is certain here. Lions will suffer no inferiority complex in facing the league leaders.

They gave Melbourne a fright in the first game, turned in a sound and solid performance last week against Footscray J.U.S.T. and their only real flaw is to run out of steam.

Melbourne, all action, and sensing the title is within their grasp, have a dangerous complex in easing off when in the lead. However, the leaders should consolidate their position here.

**My tip:** Melbourne to win.

### ALEXANDER v. HAKOAH

Hakoah should do Makedonia a good turn and themselves into the bargain by emphasising their overall superiority on an Alexander side which mainly relies on intermitent bursts.

Hakoah with Keith, Murney and Van Alphen in top gear must, however, convert their sound outfield play into even average finishing.

Alexander depend too much on Rizos and Margarities in their efforts to force the pace. And two players can't do the lot.

**My tip:** Hakoah to win.

### GEORGE CROSS v. SLAVIA

Fresh from their best display of the season when they narrowly beat Croatia, the George Cross side are again becoming a threat to the best.

And with their defence now playing with much more understanding they should be optimistic in holding a Slavia attack which has fallen down completely in the art of finishing.

In their first game, Slavia had the game in their pocket, only to drop a point with a glorious fight back by the Cross. This time at Selwyn Park the home team should have an easier task.

**My tip:** George Cross to win.

### POLONIA v. CROATIA

Polonia have the nucleus of a fair side but in the past few weeks have failed to reveal this. And four games without a point shows the downward plunge they have taken.

Croatia's attack badly misfired against George Cross and it seems that if McMeechan and Vojtek have an off day together they struggle to press home their superiority. Here they could outpace and outmanoeuvre Polonia.

**My tip:** Croatia to win.

### JUVENTUS v. FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.

With the same players who, not long ago, were floundernig well down in the bottom half of the table, coach Zdonmir Rasic has transformed them into a worthwhile side who have taken eight points from their last five games and still have an outside chance of the four. Rejuvenated J.U.S.T.

Juventus must improve vastly on their last outing and this is far from impossible. However, in the art of teamwork they fall well short of a championship side.

**My tip:** A draw.

### S.M. HELLAS v. MAKEDONIA

Licking their wounds after their drubbing from Melbourne, the Hellas outlook in defence with Roussis still out is real shaky. And with goal snatcher Currie spearheading the desperate Makedonia they may be hard pushed here to get back on the rails.

However, overall, Hellas have a distinct superiority in attack. And this attribute alone should swing the game in their favor.

**My tip:** S.M. Hellas to win.

## JIM COOK

The writer who doesn't miss a kick

*CRASH! Atilla Abonyi scores Melbourne's third goal on Sunday. Simindios and John Bedford are the two Hellas players.*

## ABONYI, HUGHES ON TOP

**Atilla Abonyi with two, and Tony Hughes with one goal, replaced Jim Armstrong as joint leaders of the State League goal-scoring list.**

With only five rounds to go, it looks that only Abonyi, Hughes, Armstrong and Kokinos are left with a chance to win the goal-scoring competition for the 1967 season writes **Stephen Kalus.**

This is how they stand after the 17th round:—

**16 goals:** Abonyi (Melb.), Hughes (JUST).

**15 goals:** Armstrong (Hak.).

**11 goals:** Kokinos (Hel.).

**10 goals:** Currie (Mak.).

**9 goals:** Reid (Sl.), Przybylski (Pol.).

**8 goals:** Savage (Sl.), Nestorides (Hel.).

**7 goals:** Kurta (Melb.), J. McKay (Cr.), Monan (Hak.), Vojtek (Cr.), Horsfall (G. Cr.), Swoboda (Pol.).

**6 goals:** Roseweir (L.), Kowalec (Pol.), Micic (JUST), Damianakos (Hel.).

**5 goals:** McIvor (G. Cr.), Kamboropolus (Hel.), Di Marchi (Juv.), Myers (Melb.).

**4 goals:** Kazi (JUST), Robertson (G. Cr.), Lockhurst (Juv.), Klaus (Juv.), Torque (Juv.) G. Murnie (L.), Peterson (Hak.), McMeechan (Cr.), Adamovic (JUST), Barbazza (Juv.), Margaritas (Alex.), Jurecki (Sl.), Datsewski (Cr.), Gajda (Pol.), Dezsofi (Melb).

## SOCCER NEWS WRITERS TIP

| ROUND 18 | Geo. Cross v. Slavia | Lions v. Melbourne | Juventus v. J.U.S.T. | Alexander v. Hakoah | Polonia v. Croatia | Hellas v. Makedonia |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. COOK | Geo. Cross | Melbourne | Draw | Hakoah | Croatia | Hellas |
| M. HARRIS | Draw | Melbourne | Juventus | Hakoah | Croatia | Hellas |
| S. KALUS | Draw | Melbourne | J.U.S.T. | Hakoah | Polonia | Hellas |
| "TAFFY" | Slavia | Melbourne | Juventus | Hakoah | Croatia | Hellas |
| F. VILLIERS | Geo. Cross | Melbourne | J.U.S.T. | Hakoah | Croatia | Makedonia |
| G. YELLAND | Draw | Melbourne | J.U.S.T. | Hakoah | Croatia | Hellas |

## SHOCK RESULTS UPSET TIPS

**In another week-end marred by State League shock results, George Yelland was the only one who had three correct forecasts.**

This is how they stand in the Soccer News writers' "King of the tipsters" competition: Martyn Harris 40, Stepen Kalus 38, Jim Cook and "Taffy" 37, F. Villiers and George Yelland 33.

## STATE LEAGUE NEXT WEEK

Next week-end's State League games in Victoria are—

**Saturday, August 12:**

Makedonia v. Lions (Collier St., Preston).

J.U.S.T. v. Alexander (Olympic Park), Hakoah v. Slavia (Middle Park).

**Sunday, August 13:**

Melbourne v. Juventus (St. Kilda Cricket Ground).

Croatia v. Hellas (Olympic Park).

Polonia v. George Cross (Brooklyn Speedway).

## New forward

**Zygmunt Gadecki, a top Polish forward from Port Gdynia, has joined Polonia and was named as reserve played against Makedonia, last Saturday.**

**Gadecki replaced Adamczyk in the second half.—(S.K.)**

## HOW THEY STAND

STATE LEAGUE

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Melbourne | 17 | 12 | 2 | 3 | 40 | 14 | 26 |
| Juventus | 17 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 28 | 14 | 26 |
| Hakoah | 17 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 34 | 20 | 21 |
| Croatia | 17 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 31 | 19 | 21 |
| J.U.S.T. | 17 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 35 | 43 | 19 |
| S.M.-Hellas | 17 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 33 | 27 | 18 |
| Slavia | 17 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 28 | 27 | 17 |
| Polonia | 17 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 33 | 31 | 15 |
| George Cross | 17 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 25 | 29 | 15 |
| Lions | 17 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 21 | 30 | 12 |
| Makedonia | 17 | 3 | 1 | 13 | 20 | 46 | 7 |
| Alexander | 17 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 14 | 42 | 7 |


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# FAST, ENTERTAINING SOCCER!

*Henri Surma, Melbourne goalie, jumps to fist the ball away from Kokkinos (Hellas). Scott (Melb.) looks on.*

**Crowd-pleasing, fast, entertaining Soccer was provided at most State League games last weekend.**

Juventus and Hakoah gave a top class exhibition at Middle Park, on Saturday; upset at Collier Street, where Makedonia gained two valuable points with a determined and much improved performance; a feast of fine, skilful play by Victoria's Under-16 representatives, at St. Kilda, on Sunday, followed by an incident-packed game between Melbourne and South Melbourne-Hellas; Footscray J.U.S.T. continuing their great comeback at Lions expense and George Cross defeating Croatia at Olympic Park. These were highlights of the 17th State League round.

Unfortunately, there was the usual Saturday "flat tyre" at Olympic Park, where only the quality of Slavia's mid-field play saved the game from being an utter flop, as a spectacle.

**It's about time the V.S.F. provided Soccer headquarters with the type of entertaining spectacle which this magnificent ground merits. Most Saturday games have been an insult to Olympic Park, this season.**

South Melbourne-Hellas Reserves, that bunch of talented juniors, justified the committee's faith and perseverance, by defeating a strong Melbourne Reserves, 2-1 at St. Kilda, on Saturday.

**HAKOAH 0 v. JUVENTUS 0**

No goals, there might have been an avalanche of them, proved once again that a game doesn't HAVE to have them to keep a crowd in a fever of excitement. Throughout the final, tense segment of this game, everybody in the stand, as well as those in the outer, was on his feet.

Nail-chewing supporters of both sides gave sighs of relief, mixed with disappointment, when the Referee signalled the end of this drama-packed game.

All 22 players deserve unstinted praise for producing the type of game which can only win friends for our code.

Outstanding man of the match was Hugh Murney. Strong in defence, intelligent and forceful in attack, he was desperately unlucky, twice hitting the woodwork with shots that had "goal" written all over them. Shots were rained in at both ends. Voigt and O'Hara proved unbeatable and starred throughout. Voigt was kept busier than O'Hara, but never put a foot wrong.

In the tense atmosphere of the second half, Johnny Anderson put the ball in the net from the penalty spot, but the Referee was still moving players into the position demanded by law and from the re-take, Anderson shot hard and high, but relatively straight at Voigt, who saved with ease.

Van Alphen, Keith, Stenhouse, Fry and Purdie were other outstanding players in a complete and competent Hakoah side. George Scott (as usual), Gentry, Sonaini, Closs, Corti and Bell gave grand service to a Juventus side which never gave up.

Great stuff!

Teams:—

HAKOAH: O'Hara, Keith, O'Neill, Murney, Van Alphen, Stenhouse, Fry, Armstrong, Moran, Anderson and Purdie.

JUVENTUS: Voigt, Sonaini, Gentry, Lockhurst, Scott, Closs, Torquinj, Bell, Di Marchi, Norman and Corti.

Crowd: 2,493.

Referee: Mr. R. Randall.

**PRESTON MAKEDONIA 3 (Currie 2, Datsevski) v. POLONIA 2 (Gadja, Przybylski)**

Polonia, still trying to find a winning combination, made a number of changes, once more, but continually shuffling personnel does not lend itself to settled performance on the field.

Makedonia, with a great hearted, all out team effort, merited their third State League win which lifted them, if only on goal average, off the bottom rung. The good sized crowd left in a frenzy of delight after watching this tremendous fight in bad conditions.

**Left winger Dedov was the biggest thorn in Polonia's side. His touch line dashes and accurate crosses provided threats to the visitors goal, throughout.**

Currie was a dangerous opportunist, Datsevski, besides converting a penalty, provided the brains behind many attacks. Barna, Howlett and Cairns formed a sound defensive wall.

Przybylski was the only danger in the Polonia attack, which once again spent more time pattern weaving than shooting for goal. Janczyk struggled all afternoon to get his boys moving and it was from one of his astute passes that Gadja gave them the lead in the 33rd minute, but sheer persistance brought Makedonia from behind twice, to take out the game.

With this determination, Makedonia could escape relegation. Polonia must adopt a settled combination and give the team a chance to knit together. They certainly play good Soccer, but lack punch in front of goal.

Teams:

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Morks, Barna, Howlett, Datsevski, Cairns, Kochovski, Short, Craig, Currie, Perry and Dedov.

POLONIA: Majerczak, Knot, Marmur, Janczyk, Gross, Olinowski, Swoboda, Gadja, Przybylski, Adamczyk and Kowalec. Gadecki replaced Adamczyk at half-time. Makedonia replaced Morks and Craig with Penzo and Grozdanov, at half-time.

Crowd: 1,270.

**Referee: Mr. R. Lamb.**

**PORT MELBOURNE SLAVIA 1 (Jurecki) v. ALEXANDER 1 (Schroif own goal)**

Jurecki slammed home a reverse header from Jones, after five minutes. It seemed as though Slavia's obvious mid-field superiority would give them an easy and comfortable victory, but once again their inability to capitalise on it, robbed them of a point.

Seven minutes from time Alexander scored the equaliser when Schroif was unceremoniously bundled into the net with the ball in his possession.

This is the second week in succession that his reluctance to get rid of the ball immediately has cost his side a point.

There were the usual screams of protest, but the law provides for the goalkeeper to be charged if he is in possession of the ball (whether his feet are on the ground or not). The Referee is the sole judge of the fairness of the charge and he appeared to be satisfied that it was a correct shoulder charge. In any event, Slavia have only themselves to blame for they had enough chances to build up an unassailable lead, long before the equaliser came.

**Alexander's first shot at goal came on the 38 minute mark and despite individual flashes of brilliance, they looked a poor prospect for survival.**

Slavia's supporters must be the most frustrated in Melbourne, for a team which oozes talent, repeatedly fails to bring home the points and appears to need a compass to locate opponents goal.

Teams:—

PORT MELBOURNE SLAVIA: Schroif, Luckton, High, Randles, Cook, Goodwin, Savage, Jurecki, Jones, McCorquodale and Rainey. Reid replaced Jurecki at half-time.

ALEXANDER: Assopardi, D. Xanthopoulos, Giannis Risos, Kourkoulakos, Pokianos, Basiovic, Margaritis, Bourdanis, Papaconstantinou and Kriaris.

Crowd: 835.

Referee: Mr. A. Frost.

**MELBOURNE 3 (Myers, Kagioglou own goal, Abonyi 2, Bedford own goal) v. SOUTH MELBOURNE-HELLAS 1 (Kokkinos)**

More incident was packed into the first half, at St. Kilda on Sunday than is usually seen in a whole game.

Four goals, two in two minutes just before half-time; Nestorides missing a penalty, a bad misjudgement by Kagioglou in attempting to save an indirect free-kick and giving a goal away in the process and some clever end to end Soccer, were features which kept the big crowd on its toes.

Melbourne clearly deserved their victory because they made straight for goal in every attack.

It was anybody's game with the score at 1-1, but the devastating two goal burst, coupled with Nestorides' penalty failure, took the heart out of Hellas. When Bedford gave that rather stupid goal away soon after the interval, it was just a matter of time.

Myers scored the first when Kagioglou and Liouposlos couldn't decide who should clear the ball. Abonyi, not up to his best form, was left unattended on the edge of the penalty area to receive a neat pass from Stoffels and move forward, picking his spot for the third. He also scored the fifth from an unnecessary penalty late in the game.

Pyrgolios, Damianakos and Kokkinos tried ceaselessly, trying to find a way through Melbourne's solid defensive cover, in which Alistair Scott, Ian Shank and Tony Gregal were outstanding. Black mark to Melbourne for not showing the killer instinct in the second half. They had Hellas on the run, but appeared content to hang on to what they had, with the result that the second half was poor entertainment. Clubs should remember that they are drawing money for entertaining the public to NINETY minutes of good Soccer, as well as winning the game.

Colin Myers gave another scintillating display of powerful wing play and Surma handled well under pressure, particularly in the first half. Liouposlos is not a centre half, nor is Ackerley a wing half. This would rank as one of Hellas' poorest performances this season. They lacked fight just when they needed it most and lost their last opportunity of figuring in the final four.

Victoria Under-16 team gave a fascinating exhibition of pure Soccer which delighted the fans who arrived early. The biggest Soccer crowd to visit St. Kilda had much to reward them, at least until half-time in the senior game.

Teams:—

MELBOURNE: Surma, Fowler, McGowan, Shank, Scott, Gregal, Kurta, Abonyi, Stoffels, Connelly and Myers. Dessoff replaced Fowler (injured) during the first half.

HELLAS: Kagioglou, Simandiris, Kelly, Bedford, Liouposlos, Ackerley, Pyrgolios, Kambouropoulos, Nestorides, Kokkinos, and Damianakos. Wenzl and Hadjicostas replaced Kagioglou and Nestorides at half time.

Crowd: 6,634.

Referee: Mr. R. Armstrong.

**GEORGE CROSS 1 (Kovacek own goal) v. CROATIA 0**

Croatia had chances early to have scored enough goals to win, but George Cross, with admirable determination, stuck to the task and finished worthy winners by the only goal. Again, spectators were treated to sustained, honest effort and for this, both teams must take credit.

The reason why Croatia's lively attack had a bleak afternoon lay in cracking performances by George Cross's long serving players, Sacco and Hodgson, backed up by solid work on the part of Sanches, Dockerty in goal, McPherson and Ireland. Armour and Horsfall were lively raiders and it was a Horsfall shot which

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## Top posting for Don Sutherland

**Don Sutherland, a former Metropolitan League Chairman, and a Sandringham City player and official, made headlines in the business world last week.**

Don, the former general manager of Miles Laboratories ANZ, has been appointed chief executive of Miles Laboratories Ltd., in the United Kingdom.

He has left Melbourne to take up his new post, which is regarded as a major one in the Miles group.

Mr Sutherland will become chairman and managing director of the UK company later this year.

Readers will recall back in the late 50s when Don used to write a regular feature "Soccer Man's Diary" in Soccer News.

He is a popular club official and will be missed by the Sandringham club.

## Baffling for Johnny Haynes

FULHAM were beaten 4—1 by Munchen Gladbach, a young and strong team, in the first of their three matches in Germany.

A crowd of 10,000, including many British servicemen, were disappointed by the absence of George Cohen, Fulham's World Cup star.

Fulham were soon under pressure, but in the sixth minute, Earle had the German goalkeeper fully extended.

Haynes tried to get his forwards in gear, but time and time again they ran against a blanket defence.

In the 13th minute, Drake brought down an opponent just outside the penalty box and following the free-kick he gave away a penalty, from which Milder scored.

Just on half-time, Haynes had a free-kick blocked, but Fulham had given the English supporters very little to cheer about because they had not found a way through the German defence.

### *SAME AGAIN*

In the second half the pattern was the same, Munchen Gladbach coming strongly out of defence and catching Fulham off balance.

It was no surprise when in the fiftieth minute Munchen Gladbach went further ahead through inside forward Ackerman.

Goalkeeper Seymour was given very little cover and Fulham were lucky when a shot by Netzer hit a post with Seymour well beaten.

Clarke and Drake strove hard to stir Fulham, who scored after sixty-three minutes by a deflection from Barrett following a run down the right wing by Clarke.

Munchen Gladbach were further ahead by goals from Netzer and Meyer and Fulham suffered a 4-1 defeat.

# JUNIOR SOCCER NEWS

## WESTERN SUBURBS

**Under 18** (postponed game): Ardeer 5 (Kozara, Smietanka, Moscicki, Klimecki, Wasiak) d. East St. Albans 2. Best — Ardeer: K. Cympel, L. Wolczecki, J. Rolnik.

Remains to be played only disputed Footscray-J.U.S.T. v. George Cross game for the completion of under 18 league. Following teams qualifed for Victorian Cup quarter-finals: J.U.S.T. and Ardeer (Western Suburbs), George Cross and Northcote (North of Yarra).

**Under 16:** Ardeer 7 (Smietanka 4, Spiteri 2, Varga) d. Sunshine City 1. Best — Ardeer: P. Szot, F. Korziak, T. Smietanka. Footscray-J.U.S.T. 5 (Milisavljevic 2, Kupinic 2, Franzeskos) d. St. Albans 0. Best — J.U.S.T.: M. Udorovic, D. Todorovic, P. Jovic. St. Albans: D. Schindler, R. Schneidruck, G. Djurdjevic. Altona 2 (Higham, Dellemyn) drew with Sunshine Heights 2. Best—Altona: J. Collins, D. Studdard, H. Dellemyn. Ladder: Ardeer 32, Sunshine City 28, Lechia-West Newport 26, Newport 26, J.U.S.T. 20, Altona 14, St. Albans 12, Sunshine Heights 12, Croatia 0.

**Under 14:** (W.S.S.F. Disciplinary Committee awarded two points to Deer Park-I.C.I. from the game Brooklyn Hostel v. Deer Park and also ordered replay of Brooklyn Hostel v. Sunshine City game). Altona 3 (Micevski, Harper, Stuttard) d. Brooklyn Hostel 1. Best — Altona: M. Micevski, J. Collins, G. Harper. Footscray-J.U.S.T. 4 (Picioane 2, Pepe, Dosen) d. Ajax 1 (Galea). Best — J.U.S.T.: S. Pepe, P. Divitarov, A. Dosen. Ajax: A. Lebbink, M. Axiak, J. Galea. Keilor City 4 (Vanleeuwen 2, Karbanenko, own goal) d. Newport 0. Best — Keilor City: L. Vanleeuwen, R. Bialek, S. Karbanenko. Newport: E. Borg, G. Melettis, P. Cassar. Sunshine City 2 (Mussel 2) d. Ardeer 1 (Adamczewicz). Best — Sunshine City: F. Mussel, R. Ferrara, C. Tzinokis. Ardeer: J. Adamczewicz, M. Skilnik, M. Dykin. Sunshine Heights 3 (Previti 2, Fsadni) d. Deer Park-I.C.I. 1 (Stobinski). Best—Sunshine Heights: P. Formosa, C. Grixti, J. Maunders. Deer Park: R. Szwed, J. Forbes, R. Reilly. St. Albans 0 lost to Corio-Geelong 4. Best — St. Albans: P. Scheurer, K. Danilow, M. Borzer. Brooklyn Hostel 0 lost replay to Sunshine City 6 (Mussel 2, Kotaridis 2, Booth, Collins). Best — Sunshine City: G. Kotaridis, P. Banagan, F. Mussel. Standing: J.U.S.T. 36, Sunshine City 31, Brooklyn 20, Ardeer 20, Altona 17, Corio-Geelong 16, Deer Park-I.C.I. 16, Keilor City 16, Sunshine Heights 15, Newport 13, Ajax 9, St. Albans 1.

**Under 12:** Sunshine City "B" 0 drew with Altona "A" 0. Best — Sunshine City "B": S. Reivers, S. O'Brien, M. Clayton. Altona "A": G. Bebend, T. Gibson, R. Spencer. St. Albans 1 (Kosmauskas) drew with Keilor City 1 (Fairn). Best — St. Albans: R. Orlikowski, P. Beller, R. Kosmauskas. Keilor City: T. Fraine, R. Peterson, S. Bialek. Liechia-West Newport 3 (R. Lipiarski 2, Bailey) drew with Altona Hostel 3. Best — West Newport: J. Bonniei, G. Nedelkopoulos, T. Lipiarski. Footscray-J.U.S.T. Blues 1 (Novak) drew with Newport 1 (Sandri). Best — J.U.S.T.: K. Dowd, R. Grbac, D. Novak. Newport: J. Adamcewicz, S. Brass, J. Lukas. South Sunshine 1 walkover Altona "B" 0. Footscray-J.U.S.T. Whites 2 (Mukavic, Ristovski) lost to Sunshine City "A" 6. Best — J.U.S.T.: I. Mukavec, M. Ristovski, M. Suban. Sunshine City "A": D. Xerri, R. Horell, A. Kotardis. Standing: Altona "A" 31, Sunshine City "A" 30, Altona Hostel 28, Sunshine City "B" 24, J.U.S.T. Whites 18, Keilor City 17, South Sunshine 16, St. Albans 15, West Newport 14, Newport 11, J.U.S.T. Blues 9, Altona "B" 1.

**Under 10** — Final Round: Sunshine Heights 0 drew with Footscray-J.U.S.T. 0. Best — Heights: P. Wisneiski, J. Kiparaglou, A. Evangelidis, D. Bozak. J.U.S.T.: K. Dowd, H. Dilizza, N. Glavan, R. Grbac. South Sunshine 7(Toniotti 2, Goring 2, Warne, Atrill, Maginness) d. Altona 0. Best — South Sunshine: F. Toniotti, P. Warne, W. Goring, G. Atrill. Altona: I. Douglas, P. Blanchard, I. Van Rangelrooy. St. Albans "A" 2 (Fitzgerald, Tonkinson) d. St. Albans "C" 0. Best — St. Albans "A": A. Tonkinson, D. Abella, B. Fitzgerald. St. Albans "C": J. Rendall, T. Harris, J. Labinas. St. Albans "B" 0 lost to Sunshine City 10 (Palma 5, Wilson 3, Johnstone, Cardona). Best — St. Albans "B": K. McEwan, N. Lombardie, R. Keulen. Sunshine City: J. Palma, A. Cardona, C. Wilson. Final Ladder: Sunshine City 28, J.U.S.T. 20, Sunshine Heights 20, St. Albans "A" 17, South Sunshine 13, Altona 5, St. Albans "B" 4, St. Albans "C" 1.

**Altona State Schools — Education Week Semi-finals:** Altona State School 9 (Roberts 4, O'Sullivan 2, Bergen, Thomson, Donelly) d. Altona North State School 0. Best Altona: O'Sullivan, B. Roberts, Woodhead. Altona North: Malluccio, Ceranek, Brennan. Seaholme State School 6 (Little 5, Hewitt) d. Altona West 0. Best Seaholme: Christie, Cachia, N. Little. Altona West: H. Walsh, R. Dunlop, A. Mijat.

### TRIAL MATCH

Victorian Squad Under-16 7 (Wallace 2, Todorovic 2, Racovalis 2, Hona) d. Comb. Melbourne-Hellas 1 (Harvey). Best — Victorian Squad: Wallace, Todorovic, Hona, Racovalis, Feenstra. Melbourne: Hargitay, Agardy, Rooney, Tapolczay.

**Next Sunday's Trial Games:** Victorian Squad Under 16 v. Latrobe Valley Under-16 at Yallourn. All Victorian players are requested to assemble at Olympic Velodrome, Swan Street gate, not later than 10.30 a.m. next Sunday, 6th of August. Western Suburbs will be held next Sunday, 6th of August, trials for Under-10 on South Sunshine Ground at 9.30 a.m., for Under-12 on St. Albans Ground at 10 a.m. and for Under-14 at Sunshine City Junior Ground from 10 a.m.

# Doncaster to lift school Soccer

## Will invite headmasters to a meeting

**In an ambitious plan to encourage the playing of organised soccer in local primary schools, the Doncaster Rovers Soccer Club will invite headmasters to a special meeting.**

Mr. R. L. Shew, secretary of the Rovers, told Soccer News that the meeting was tentatively planned for August 30, and would take place in the Atheneum Hall.

"It will be a film and general meeting," he said. "All local primary school headmasters will be invited along to meet Rover officials and officials of the Victorian Soccer Federation."

Mr. Shew said that he thought the meeting was necessary in view of the attitude of some headmasters to the sport. "I have known soccer balls to be confiscated at some schools," he said.

The VSF intends spending $50,000 on the promotion of junior soccer," Mr. Shew said, "and we would like to see schools in this area organised on a competitive basis. There are many boys who prefer playing soccer to Australian Rules.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

As a further incentive to the schools, the meeting will also discuss the details of the Soccer Federation's Soccer Scholarships, in which one-year school scholarships will be awarded to the five top school-boy soccer players in the State.

The scholarships will be awarded to the top player in each of five sections—primary school, technical school or college, high school, private school, and university.

Worth $150, they are to be used for fees, uniforms, books and other approved expenses.

### JUNIOR TEAMS

The Doncaster Rovers also intend to organise the formation of at least six junior teams.

startling rise to prominence, is seen as a continuation of the campaign by the VSF to introduce soccer in to schools.

The secretary of the VSF, Mr. G. Edgar, says that the sport is played in two-thirds of Victorian high schools and in all boys' technical schools.

"At present, only a very small proportion of primary schools play soccer," he said. "This is because, unlike high schools, they do not have 'composite' fees where part of the fee is used directly for the provision of sports equipment.

"Also, their Education Department grants are used for Australian Rules," Mr. Edgar said.

*Under-10 line up for fore playing J.U.S.T.*

## ALTONA FINAL ON SUNDAY

**Education week Soccer final will be played at Kim Reserve, Millers' Road, Altona, on Sunday, at 1.15 p.m.**

Altona State School clash with Seaholme State School.

## REFS. WIN

The Referees' team won the veterans' tournament at Ringwood, last Sunday, beating Springvale in the final, 2-1, after defeating Dandenong 3-1 in the semi-final.

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### UNDER 12

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| Ringwood City "A" | 9 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 76 | 4 | 18 |
| Frankston Pines | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 47 | 1 | 16 |
| Bayswater | 10 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 39 | 19 | 14 |
| Waverley | 9 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 25 | 12 | 12 |
| Frankston | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 28 | 18 | 12 |
| Langwarrin | 10 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 15 | 31 | 8 |
| Ringwood City "B" | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 30 | 30 | 7 |
| Hakoah | 9 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 23 | 19 | 5 |
| Springvale | 9 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 60 | 2 |
| Slavia | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 88 | 0 |

### UNDER 14 NORTH

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
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| Ringwood City | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 82 | 3 | 18 |
| South Melbourne | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 73 | 13 | 18 |
| Bayswater | 9 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 72 | 12 | 14 |
| Frankston Pines "B" | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 36 | 32 | 7 |
| Langwarrin | 9 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 27 | 25 | 6 |
| Salesian College | 10 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 34 | 53 | 6 |
| Doncaster | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 22 | 65 | 5 |
| Healesville | 10 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 143 | 2 |

### UNDER 14 SOUTH

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| Moorabbin | 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 49 | 10 | 15 |
| Frankston | 8 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 41 | 10 | 12 |
| Sandringham "A" | 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 21 | 10 | 11 |
| Doveton | 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 6 | 11 |
| Melbourne | 9 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 39 | 35 | 7 |
| Frankston Pines "A" | 8 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 14 | 16 | 6 |
| Brighton | 8 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 29 | 10 | 5* |
| Dandenong | 9 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 17 | 47 | 4 |
| Sandringham "B" | 9 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 80 | 1 |

* 6 points deducted.

### UNDER 16 NORTH

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| Ringwood City | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 55 | 17 | 18 |
| Springvale | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 21 | 8 | 17 |
| Waverley High School | 10 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 13 | 11 |
| Frankston | 10 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 30 | 20 | 10 |
| Sandringham | 10 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 17 | 10 |
| Waverley | 10 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 20 | 25 | 7 |
| Bayswater | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 19 | 29 | 7 |
| Wesley College | 10 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 5 | 37 | 0 |

### UNDER 16 SOUTH

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| Melbourne | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 10 | 20 |
| South Melbourne | 10 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 67 | 13 | 15 |
| Dandenong | 10 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 28 | 21 | 15 |
| Langwarrin | 10 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 45 | 13 |
| Slavia | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 35 | 7 |
| Brighton | 10 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 30 | 6 |
| Juventus | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 37 | 4 |
| Doveton | 10 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 9 | 0 |

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| Slavia | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 62 | 12 | 20 |
| Dandenong | 10 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 36 | 20 | 14 |
| Brighton | 10 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 30 | 19 | 13 |
| Hakoah | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 30 | 12 | 12 |
| Juventus | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 37 | 23 | 12 |
| Melbourne | 10 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 11 | 10 | 10 |
| South Melbourne | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 35 | 20 | 9 |
| Ringwood City | 10 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 28 | 37 | 6 |
| Prahran | 9 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 16 | 30 | 2 |
| Doveton | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 105 | 0 |

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| Ringwood City | 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 43 | 21 | 15 |
| Springvale | 9 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 49 | 18 | 14 |
| Middle Park | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 43 | 17 | 12 |
| Waverley | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 45 | 24 | 12 |
| Langwarrin | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 22 | 60 | 4 |
| Heatherton | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 11 | 47 | 4 |
| Chadstone | 10 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 57 | 2 |

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WRITE TO: Soccer News, P.O. Box 25, Glen Waverley, Victoria, 3150.

# LETTERS

Sir,—In regard to a letter published in Soccer News (July 13) written by Mr P. Foster, whose expert advice and thoughtfulness showed me that although an expert he has missed out on a few logical points. I agree our Soccer isn't first class, but I'd call him a liar had he stated that we lack first-class talent. Surely sir, you cannot expect Soccer to develop in 50 years to the class of British or European Soccer, where it has been played for about 105 years.

To top our inexperience in Soccer we also show two very weak points. One, poor finance. Two, lack of public support into a category where I shall include you and thousands like you who would like to see first-class Soccer, but has no patience to support a certain team or club. And while the Federation is promoting Soccer so that the migrants from all over the Continent can see this much favorised sport, ungrateful citizens like you are doing the exact opposite when you give your support to other sports.

Since you have taken some of your time to write this letter I can only subtract the thought that at one stage you must have been interested in Soccer, but, at the moment you do not support it, so I must come to the conclusion that you are not interested in the game any more, and had no reasonable reason or right to write that letter in the first place and to top that you didn't tell us anything that we didn't already know.

Or do you think that because of that letter a first-class team will drop out of the blue and win the World Cup, so that then Mr Foster can grin ear to ear with others like him and say "without my support they could never have made it." True enough!

It's a lot for garbage that good talent hasn't been imported from England. Colin Myers for one. While he was residing in England he had won an all-round junior Soccer award, and could he practise like the English teams all through the week he could be included into the category of George Best and Dennis Law. I disagree on your point that we have no talent in Australia. This statement is false, had we no talent here Manchester United would have beaten all the States 10-0 easily.

I have seen the second game with Victoria and can honestly say that in the first half Victoria showed a better game than Manchester United, and from this point I come to the conclusion that you haven't seen a Soccer match during the past five years.

To sum up. Soccer cannot gain a first-class position in Australia unless the migrants wise up to themselves and take a new attitude towards its support, they should be glad to know that a "third class" Soccer does exist in Australia, and if they have the ability to support instead of destroy this sport they can freely do so.

After all if you were good enough to support a club in Europe or England surely you could also support a local club, and one day you may be rewarded with the headlines "Australia Wins World Cup," although this at the moment is a dream, but with your support we could hold the Cup in our hands, but without it, we cannot help but lose.

— Miss A. Horvath, Yallourn St., Ardeer.

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SIR, — I would like to say to that British migrant who wrote to Soccer News (July 13) about the poor standard of our game that he should think again. I suggest he takes a good look at the daily Press and read all the articles being written about louts and spectators' behavior.

We know we are not as good as England, but we have so many things against us, like migrants who try to impress Australian people in fear they will lose their friendship.

I am a very happy Soccer supporter and I hope we get in the World Cup. —MRS. D. GRIMA, 38 Daly St., West Brunswick.

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SIR,—I wish to congratulate your junior writer, Stephen Kalus, for raising the matter about so many protests in the game. You can't apply the same rules to professional and junior competitions.

With the under-8s and 12s they are playing for pleasure and for officials it is very hard to bring them together, coach them and then play competition games. The under-8s and 10s should play in picnic tournaments.

Keep passports and registrations for older players and don't worry hard-working officials of junior clubs.

Edward Smolenski, 32 Drummond St., Carlton.

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SIR, — According to British migrant Mr. P. Foster (Soccer News, July 13) our game is third rate. I know plenty like him and it can't be because they like Australian Rules better than Soccer, it's because they like to keep in with the boss. I'll give you an example of my own experience.

I am 81 years of age. In my last few years of work, I worked until I was almost 72 at the Ford works. I was asked by the President of the Geelong Chess Club to try and get a chess team going at the Ford Social Club, so I went to see the personnel office. Do you know what his first question was? Did I like their football. Although I hated it, I said "Oh, yes." But he could see I was not enthusiastic about it so he did not do anything to help me, and that knocked me back so I was not successful. I think Soccer, fourth or fifth rate, is much better than Aussie Rules.

I came to Australia in 1926, there being very little Soccer those days here. I went for about a year or two to watch Geelong Aussie Rules. But it was hard to take. I saw a goal scored now and again by the bounce of the ball, etc.

Does Mr. Foster really believe that Rules is better than Soccer. An oval ball was designed for running with and passing in Rugby but not playing bouncy with! I admit lack of discipline is holding Soccer back. We Soccer lovers have all these kind of British migrants to put up with but we will win out, and if the migrants who love Soccer keep fighting for it, we will win the World Cup one day. Then these Britishers will come back to the game.

Good on you, Mr. Weinstein, you are doing the right thing. Keep up the good work. Never mind the traitors. — JOHN W. GILL, 22 Grey St., East Geelong.

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SIR, — Re Morrie Buckner's report in The Sun on 17/7/67 that states referees were targets for the bad losers.

I would like to draw attention to the fact that junior and, for that matter, any referee in the lower divisions are not immune from these ignorant spectators and player outbursts, but they still take the field unprotected but with pride in their black suit.

A recent case which I saw and overheard was where a referee was called incompetent when asking the home club secretary (and player) to fix nets properly. Threatened when referee said conditions of the ground were so bad that play may not be possible and constant abuse from the home club spectators during play. Ironically after the game that same referee was congratulated for a good performance by that same secretary. Needless to say, the home team won.

I have watched a good number of games and seen many different referees in action and in my opinion, a lot of trouble activates round the club secretaries of clubs who along with the spectators think they know all the rules when in fact their knowledge is limited to the fundamentals, whereas a referee is trained to know all rules and laws that govern the game. All partakers in competive games of any sort play, or should play, to win but they should also learn to be good losers.

May I suggest that clubs be put on a bond to ensure good behaviour and hospitality towards referees, or the up-and-coming future referees will resign before they reach the higher grades.

One has only to witness some junior games to see the chaos resulting from a home club man refereeing. What would happen if the seniors came to this. A possible lynching? — MRS. A. Moorhouse, 16 Lehmann Cres., Frankston.

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SIR, — In case your readers should think all English migrants are like your correspondent, Mr. P. Foster (Soccer News, 13/7/67), I would hasten to assure that I consider even a third class Soccer match infinitely preferable to the Australian game.

I came from London 17 years ago, and in my youth played Soccer. On three occasion I played international football touring Denmark, Holland and Belgium.

Generally, I must agree Victorian Soccer is third rate, and, since I watch the first division teams, some of the games do not reach this standard. However, does this really count? How often have we enjoyed watching the youngsters play! Would Mr. Foster refuse to see them because they did not reach first class? Even the ladies put on a fine show some years ago at Olympic Park, and I can't understand why they have not been given a further game.

Thus the excuse Mr. Foster gives for not watching our Soccer is nonsense. Maybe he has always been a spectator, has never played the game, that may give some reason for wanting a spectacle. It would also explain why he prefers a disciplined brawl to a game of skill.

All the same, we can't afford to be smug and complacent for present day Soccer is well below the entertainment of the pre-war game and it is further spoilt by the tantrums of individuals. Players such as Denis Law of Manchester United, who behave like spoilt children are a menace to the game and should be banned. His exhibitions in Sydney and Perth did nothing for Soccer and gave Manchester United a bad image. Let us have more sportsmanship, less defensive tactics and more attacking football such as Wilhelmina are playing now. Their game against Box Hill was a beauty and on that form they would beat most State League teams.

I should like to refer to a full-page article in a Melbourne newspaper recently which made much of a Rule's match, played in London's Regent Park. It may not be widely known that this is the Zoo and that the people watching had come to see the animals!

Notwithstanding my Soccer affiliations, due to the influence of their Victorian schooling, both my sons play Australian Rules, to my regret. — "ANOTHER POMMIE", Wolseley Cres., Blackburn.

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# FRED VILLIERS

## Park should adopt two League clubs

**IT'S NO USE** grumbling about the situation at Olympic Park.

The so-called headquarters of Victorian Soccer seems to be losing its title.

Seems the Park trustees should wake up to the fact that the clubs at Middle Park and St. Kilda Cricket Ground are forced to remain loyal to their tenants.

Olympic Park should seriously think about adopting a couple of league clubs for their ground. It would certainly pay more than the present set-up.

Two clubs who come to mind and would be money spinners are George Cross and Croatia. No one will tell me Selwyn Park or Maryborough can compare with the big facilities at Olympic Park.

I READ the reference to Victoria's "quaint little Dockerty Cup" in the Green Paper last week.

Our NSW friends should know better than to write like this, for had it not been for the late Harry John Dockerty, Soccer would not be in the position it is in today.

The Grand Old Man of the Victorian game did more for the round-ball code than any other man during his 60-odd years in the State.

When he died a little more than a year ago, he left behind one of the best Cup competitions in the country. Yes, it is more profitable and better organised than our Australia Cup competition itself.

It seems a pity NSW hasn't a similar "quaint little Dockerty Cup" of its own. It appears it could do with one, for there is little interest in the game in the Harbor City once the league season is finished.

To say the least, it is insulting to refer to the Dockerty Cup, as a "quaint little competition." It may be to NSW, but ask any State League club. Many of them say it's a salvation. Especially those who play off in the Dockerty Cup finals.

## Popular

SAMSON, a popular race horse, stepped out in a new role on Sunday. He made his first appearance as a police horse after being retired from the race track.

The big crowd at St. Kilda Cricket Ground saw him ridden by a trooper as part of the police squad at the Melbourne-Hellas game.

Wonder if any of the fans recognised Sampson, the horse which won — and lost — hundreds of dollars for his backers on the Victorian racing circuit?

AND so Soccer has lost a couple of top men — Jim Bayutti, ASF vice-president, and Tom Edwards, a top-class referee.

In a way these two had something in common with their departures from the round-ball game. Both walked out of it for good.

In Mr Bayutti's case he went out on a sour note screaming that Victoria was 25 years behind the times. He couldn't get on with certain State officials and the game would never be any good unless it was cleaned up.

As Dr Charles Walker, VSF life member, pointed out in this newspaper last week, as top dog in the ASF it was Mr Bayutti's job to modernise Victoria if it was so old fashioned. But did he do this? No. He left the game.

Mr Edwards, the referee, could not stand the spitting of the crowds at Olympic Park. I don't blame him. He had every reason to quit.

But he should not have walked out too. He should have stayed on in an administrative capacity and passed on some of his knowledge to others.

What a pity these two didn't put something back into the game which has given them so much in the past. After all, you only get out of Soccer what you are prepared to put into it. And this applies to most sports.

THESE shoes were certainly made for walking and if you're a Juventus player you would know there's no better walking shoe than those made by Aquila, of Brunswick Street, North Fitzroy.

This shoe business is run by their club vice-president, Tony Longo, who comes to the party with two or three pairs for the players each week.

They put the boys' names in a hat and the lucky chap whose name is drawn out takes the shoes.

No wonder there's an awful lot of Aquilas walking around the St. Kilda Cricket Ground these days.

## Success!

AT LAST is seems the two big Soccer States — NSW and Victoria — are beginning to think of the game instead of the individual.

Michael Weinstein, VSF chairman, was delighted with the reception the Victorian delegation received in Sydney last week-end.

Victoria presented its policy to the N.S.W. Federation and I understand in a few weeks' time — when NSW have formed theirs — they'll present it to their Victorian counterparts. Harmony at last.

Clashes between Victorians and New South Welshmen in the past have all occurred at ASF meetings. It appears now that if the two big States can formulate a policy there will be a much better understanding at ASF meetings.

Then when this little matter is cleaned up, perhaps our big shots can get down to the all-important job of promoting the game.

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Sir,—On looking at Soccer News (a great enjoyment to me, I might add), I noticed, as on many occasions before, we are to put up with several picture section shots of one particular game. I am sure that now Soccer News is well on the up we could perhaps cover two or three games each week. Why not one of the Metro games?

I am sure Soccer News, Soccer and Metro leaders will will think this is a move in the right direction of bringing the fans out and creating an even greater interest in the clubs.

Incidentally, clubs too could play their part, especially Sandringham. Why I name this club is the fact that after washing a gallon of petrol in and out of the streets of Sandringham, also calling at the local police station, also buying a local paper, I still was not able to find Sandringham's ground.

I never would have either because a couple of days later I found out that it wasn't even in Sandringham! So what about the fans, clubs! — Brian Taylor, 27 Railway Pde., Seaford.


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# ONLY 4 WEEKS TO GO

**With only four weeks to go there's not one division where promotion and relegation is cut and dried.**

In the first division it's a straight-out race between Ringwood City and St. Albans with Ringwood well ahead on percentage.

Both clubs have a reasonably easy run home but neither can afford to drop a point.

Ringwood have to play Sandringham (a), Coburg (h), Triestina (a) and Box Hill (h). St. Albans meet Moreland (a), Springvale (h), Sandringham (a) and Coburg (h).

**I'm tipping Ringwood City to stay on top and gain promotion. Many people have told me that they'll be a real threat to the State League next year. Well, the Dockerty Cup will answer this.**

In the relegation tussle both Dandenong and Sandringham lost but with Dandenong scoring three goals they move above Sandy on percentage.

Moreland picked up a valuable point and it could save them from the drop.

I can't see Coburg staying up as they have some tough games left and are already three points behind.

So it's between Dandenong and Sandringham and these two play each other in the last game of the season.

Sandy have got to play both of the top two clubs so they look favorites to go down in my book.

Ringwod coasted to a 5-0 victory over Springvale and it could have been a better win but for fine defensive play by Vale's Peter Mur, Norman Edgar and Daniel Pegola.

In the first 10 minutes Ringwood gained five corners and Steve Atkins hit an upright.

But it wasn't until the 21st minute that Sid Steele scored with a 20-yard drive.

Alan Villers made it 2-0 before half time.

Then Steve Atkins and Gerry Keuken added to the lead but they were still missing chances.

With 15 minutes left, Alan Villers collected a long ball from Sandy Wilson to complete the scoring.

Best players for Ringwood City: Steele, Vleugels, Plunkett and Vowles. Springvale: Mur, Edgar and Pegola.

**Dandenong were unlucky to go down 4-3 to Brunswick in a game that they needed to win.**

This was the first time that Brunswick have defeated Dandenong in their six meetings.

Dandenong went ahead in two minutes when Jimmy Gray netted from close range. Brunswick retaliated with three quick goals, mainly due to defensive errors by Dandenong.

Dandy reduced the arrears with Jimmy Gray scoring again 15 minutes after the interval. But inside a minute Brunswick made it 4-2 with a simple goal.

Dandy came again and gained a penalty which Mike Hall converted with ease.

Best players for Dandy: Gray and Fletcher.

**St. Albans had to fight all the way to beat Elwood 4-2 at Churchill Reserve.**

The scores were level with 10 minutes left at 2-2 but Peter Trosjil came to the rescue with two late goals.

In a tense game "Butch" Landherr put the Saints ahead with a penalty, but Elwood equalised.

Peter Trosjil put the Saints in front again and Elwood, who never gave up, levelled. Then came the final onslaught in which Trosjil completed his hat-trick.

**In a one-sided game Triestina toppled Coburg 5-2. Baxter was the key man for Triestina, scoring a hat-trick.**

Higgins and an own goal when Yelland's pass back found the net, were the scorers for Triestina with Coburg's coming from S. Crooks and D. Crooks.

Best players for Triestina: Baxter, Southgate, Higgins and Zavattiero. Coburg: Malcolm, S. Crooks and Richmond.

Sunshine City were a shade lucky to gain a 2-2 draw with Moreland.

Sunshine were without Ray Pocock who was injured with his brother Bobby in a car accident. Billy Rogers was also unavailable.

Moreland took the lead in 20 minutes when Pel scored following a free kick.

Five minutes later Stan Koliba levelled but Moreland regained the lead before half time through Mick Bevis.

Stan Koliba completed his brace of goals when he scored the equaliser for City.

**In a game with little excitement, Box Hill accounted for Sandringham 2-0, at Wembley Park.**

Box Hill had a chance in the opening minute when Oxton found Roodhouse who beat Thompson and Dimmock but Mannering dived to save his shot well.

In seven minutes Joe Bray put the Hillmen in front, scoring from close range following a right wing movement.

George Drda tried his luck with a long range drive for Sandy, but Wilson saved.

Bray had the ball in the net again for the Hillmen, but Oxton was offside.

Box Hill scored again with a good move. Roodhouse crossed from the left and Voce headed on for Joe Bray to blast the ball home.

Bray had another chance but headed straight at Mannering from only five yards.

Bobby McLeish, playing against his former team-mates, tried all he knew to get the Sandy forward line working but lacked support.

Wilson saved well from McLeish, which proved to be Sandy's last chance. Normy Voce had his best game for Box Hill since returning from overseas.

Best players for Box Hill: Voce, Bray and White. Sandringham: Thompson, McLeish and Dimmock.

## METRO SELECTIONS

**1st DIVISION:** Springvale, Ringwood City, Box Hill, St. Albans, Triestina and Elwood.

**2nd DIVISION:** Ringwood United, Richmond, Bayswater v. Albion Rovers, Frankston, Altona and Brighton.

**3rd DIVISION:** Waverley, Keilor City, Croydon, Princes Park, Heidelberg and Chelsea.

**4th DIVISION:** Yallourn, Mooroolbark (bye), East Melbourne, Newport, Monash Uni. and Clayton (bye).

### SECOND DIVISION

It's still wide open as to who gets promotion and even Richmond, who are gradually moving up, have a chance.

Ferntree Gully again slipped in only drawing 2-2 with Bayswater, and now slip down to fourth position.

One of the three contenders to accompany Altona, who must be considered favorites, Ringwood have the easiest run and play Uni. (h), Prahran (a), Brighton (h) and Ajax (a).

Both Frankston and Ferntree Gully have to play Altona and, of course, if they both win Altona could be in trouble, but I don't think they will.

Bayswater move up a rung on the ladder with Park Rangers now on the bottom. Only percentage separates Prahran and Bayswater.

Altona finished whatever hopes Brighton had of promotion in winning 3-0.

Bobby Malloy, with a 30-yard free kick, put Altona in the lead, which was the only goal in the first half.

The best goal of the match came when Steve Herman broke through and scored with a right-foot drive.

Slade, the Brighton keeper, was injured and replaced, and immediately the new keeper fumbled to allow Bernard Flynn to score.

With two goals in the second half Frankston won over University 2-0.

Frankston hit their straps in the second half and Cummins put them in front with a fine solo effort.

Then a good pass from Hanky Brouwer found Micky Maile and the centre-forward made no mistake.

Best players from Frankston: Benton, Shroeder, Hall, Brouwer and Cummins.

**Prahran just couldn't quite force a draw and went down to Green Gully 3-2. But they twice held the lead and it was Bill Radcliffe who scored first with a header from a Jack Gow cross.**

Green Gully equalised from a penalty but Steve Crossley again sent Prahran ahead with a low drive.

After the break Klein levelled for Green Gully and they got the winner when Tony Duncan, in his only mistake of the day, let the ball slip through his hands.

### THIRD DIVISION

Another bad slip by Chelsea has almost ruled them out of the promotion race as they are a point behind Waverley and have still to play Princes Park.

Waverley's programme is a little easier and they meet South Yarra (a), St. Kilda (h), F.N.D. (a), and Heidelberg (h).

Chelsea, with Logan and captain Finlay both out injured, could only manage a 2-2 draw with relegation candidates Moorabbin.

Moorabbin hit the front, but Chelsea levelled when Cullarton backhealed for Jack Ogilvie to head in.

Chelsea improved in the second half but Moorabbin still regained the lead with a long shot.

Cullerton and the Moorabbin left half were sent off. Finally Chelsea levelled the scores with Barry Walker netting with the aid of a Robby Dale cross.

Best players for Chelsea: Ogilvie, Walker and Harris.

**Chelsea reserves also drew, 3-3, with Shroen, Boros and Taylor scoring. Best players: Chalkaitis, Mullholland and Huntley.**

In an exciting game, Waverley defeated Princes Park 3-2 with the winner coming in the last eight minutes. Princes Park proved tough opposition and held a one-goal lead at half time.

Steve Healey brought the scores level before Princes Park went ahead again. Sammy Jordan, making his debut in the first team, came to the rescue for Waverley with two fine headed goals, both from centres by Eddie Pierce.

**Unfortunately, after the game the referee had to be escorted to his car by the Waverley club, due to threats by supporters.**

In the reserve game won by Waverley 7-1, Perreti scored four goals with McHugh, Kerr and Best getting the others.

Croydon are in the middle of a slump and lost badly to St. Kilda 4-1. The most damage was done towards the end of the first half when the Saints piled on four goals.

Terry Megginson scored a consolation goal for Croydon in the last minute.

The Croydon statistician tells me that 440 minutes passed between the goal scored in this match and the last time they scored.

Croydon reserves fared better in winning 2-0 and the scorers were Mick Bristow and Viv Warbey.

**Essendon were much stronger in defence and had more punch in their forward line in beating Glenroy 4-0.**

Bell and Reid were in fine form and Mellor in goal for Glenroy had a great game.

Referee Mills held complete control of the game throughout.

Glenroy won 2-1 in the reserve game with Johnston and an own goal being the scorers.

### FOURTH DIVISION

East Melbourne took another step further towards promotion when they beat Monash 2-0 and have now opened a three-point lead over Monash and have a game in hand.

Hirsch gave East Melbourne an interval lead but Monash put them under pressure after the break.

They weathered the storm and Stephen Pest, who was a doubtful starter, clinched the game for East Melbourne when he scored their second.

Best players for East Melbourne: Gilgean, Chetcuti and Pest.

*CROYDON S.C. Back row (left to right): Trevor Owen (goal-keeper-coach); Roy Howard (left back); Jim Telford (right half); Leo Kinnel (outside right); Ted Dilworth (right back); Terry Megginson (centre forward. Front row: Vic Warbey (outside left); Dave Kent (inside left); Derek Rudge (centre half-capt.); Cor Koene (left half); Robert Howarth (inside right).*

### DOCKERTY CUP

In their replayed Cup match Ferntree Gully thrashed Moreland 4-1 with a fine second half display.

The score was 0-0 at half-time but Gully turned on the power after this although Moreland were at one stage 1-1. Gully went away to win comfortably.

Moreland's goal came from Fritz Pel.

### METRO MURMURS

● Frankston's Gerry Pask will be out for a few weeks following a motor accident.

● Bobby Whiteside, the Park Rangers stalwart, has his ankle in plaster and this will severely handicap the club's fight against relegation.

● Ringwood City will be importing an International forward and a Dutch keeper shortly.

● Dandenong are the only side in the first division to have been there since the Federation was formed.

● Bob Wyatt, the Ringwood City star, gets married next Monday and his fiance, Margaret, arrived from England this week. Supporters are going to make a presentation and Len Johnson will give the bride away with Sid Steele best man.

● Yallourn are the only undefeated side in Metro Soccer and three clubs in Croydon, F.N.D., and Rosebud have yet to draw a game.

● Triestina will play their "home" game against Brunswick this Saturday at Brunswick as George Cross are playing at home. Their Dockerty Cup match against St. Albans this Sunday will be played at Selwyn Park.

SIR, — I refer to Jim Bayutti's comments in Soccer News. His article read like a subtle tirade against Australian football which could have only been written by a Barassi on behalf of the VFL. He clearly shows up the jealousies that exist between all States and depicts Victoria as a bawling youngster trying to get on equal terms with his supposedly superior big brother, NSW.

I have news for you Mr. Bayutti. Victoria's officials are just as dedicated as any others; there is less partisanship than in your State and our managers, players and coaches by-passed their NSW counterparts years ago. He honestly believes that the only Victorian player worthy of a place in Australia's current team is Attila Abonyi. What tripe! What about the Micics, Rices, Schroifs, Cooks, McMeechans, Andersons, Sanchez and Randles?

Finally, how good of you Mr. Bayutti to want Mike Weinstein chosen as assistant manager for the forthcoming Asian tour. Your generosity and considerations overwhelm us Victorians and all non-NSW "foreigners". — C. DROUSIOTOU, 10 Eville St., South Melbourne.


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### DIVISION ONE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
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| Ringwood City Wilhelmina | 18 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 64 | 15 | 29 |
| St. Albans | 18 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 32 | 18 | 29 |
| M'nong Triestina | 18 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 39 | 21 | 23 |
| Elwood Austria | 18 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 34 | 25 | 23 |
| Springvale | 18 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 30 | 29 | 22 |
| Sunshine City | 18 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 28 | 25 | 18 |
| B'wick Athena | 18 | 7 | 4 | 7 | 34 | 41 | 18 |
| Box Hill | 18 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 22 | 30 | 16 |
| Moreland Thistle | 18 | 4 | 3 | 11 | 25 | 39 | 11 |
| Dandenong | 18 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 21 | 45 | 10 |
| Sandringham | 18 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 11 | 27 | 10 |
| Coburg | 18 | 2 | 3 | 13 | 21 | 46 | 7 |

### DIVISION TWO

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Altona | 18 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 42 | 14 | 28 |
| Ringwood United | 18 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 41 | 23 | 24 |
| Frankston | 18 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 35 | 25 | 24 |
| Ferntree Gully | 18 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 40 | 21 | 23 |
| Richmond | 18 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 41 | 43 | 21 |
| Albion Rovers | 18 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 32 | 26 | 20 |
| Brighton | 18 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 29 | 28 | 20 |
| Green Gully Ajax | 18 | 6 | 2 | 10 | 28 | 28 | 14 |
| University of Melbourne | 18 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 21 | 31 | 13 |
| Prahran | 18 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 22 | 45 | 10 |
| Bayswater | 18 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 21 | 45 | 10 |
| Park Rangers | 18 | 3 | 3 | 12 | 26 | 49 | 9 |

### DIVISION THREE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Keilor City | 18 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 67 | 22 | 30 |
| Waverley | 18 | 13 | 3 | 2 | 70 | 23 | 29 |
| Chelsea | 18 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 47 | 24 | 28 |
| Princes Park Hercules | 18 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 51 | 21 | 26 |
| Essendon | 18 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 44 | 26 | 20 |
| Heidelberg | 18 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 28 | 32 | 20 |
| St. Kilda | 18 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 36 | 39 | 17 |
| South Yarra | 18 | 7 | 2 | 9 | 35 | 39 | 16 |
| Glenroy United | 18 | 5 | 1 | 12 | 25 | 51 | 11 |
| Croydon | 18 | 4 | — | 14 | 25 | 46 | 8 |
| Moorabbin | 18 | 2 | 3 | 13 | 21 | 70 | 7 |
| F.N.D. | 18 | 2 | — | 16 | 20 | 76 | 4 |

### DIVISION FOUR

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
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| Yallourn | 18 | 16 | 2 | — | 109 | 11 | 34 |
| East Melbourne Helvetic | 17 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 79 | 14 | 30 |
| Monash University | 18 | 13 | 1 | 4 | 42 | 23 | 27 |
| North Melbourne Olympic | 17 | 10 | 4 | 3 | 58 | 18 | 24 |
| Mooroolbark | 18 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 51 | 49 | 21 |
| Newport | 18 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 48 | 42 | 19 |
| Clayton | 18 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 30 | 33 | 17 |
| Deer Park I.C.I. | 18 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 30 | 45 | 17 |
| Doncaster Rovers | 18 | 6 | 1 | 11 | 37 | 66 | 13 |
| Mornington | 18 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 20 | 55 | 9 |
| Rosebud | 18 | 1 | — | 17 | 7 | 119 | 2 |
| Lilydale | 18 | — | 1 | 17 | 9 | 45 | 1 |

### PROVISIONAL "B" DIVISION

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Parkville | 16 | 12 | — | 4 | 34 | 22 | 24 |
| West Preston | 16 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 37 | 15 | 24 |
| Fitzroy | 16 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 29 | 13 | 24 |
| Yarraville | 17 | 9 | 1 | 7 | 25 | 27 | 19 |
| R.A.A.F. | 17 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 32 | 27 | 18 |
| West Sunshine | 17 | 9 | — | 8 | 29 | 24 | 18 |
| Victoria Star | 16 | 7 | — | 9 | 13 | 27 | 14 |
| Carlton | 16 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 24 | 27 | 13 |
| Sydenham | 16 | 4 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 56 | 10 |

### DIVISION ONE RESERVES

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ringwood City Wilhelmina | 17 | 15 | 2 | — | 84 | 20 | 32 |
| Sunshine City | 18 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 50 | 25 | 28 |
| Dandenong | 18 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 60 | 29 | 26 |
| Box Hill | 18 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 43 | 28 | 22 |
| Elwood Austria | 17 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 58 | 38 | 18 |
| Coburg | 18 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 51 | 55 | 17 |
| Maribyrnong Triestina | 17 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 27 | 37 | 17 |
| Springvale | 18 | 7 | 1 | 10 | 36 | 42 | 15 |
| Sandringham | 18 | 5 | 2 | 11 | 29 | 47 | 12 |
| Moreland Thistle | 18 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 29 | 63 | 10 |
| St. Albans | 17 | 4 | — | 13 | 30 | 52 | 8 |
| Brunswick Athena | 18 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 27 | 88 | 7 |

### DIVISION TWO RESERVES

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ferntree Gully | 18 | 16 | 2 | — | 69 | 14 | 34 |
| Brighton | 18 | 11 | 3 | 4 | 40 | 34 | 25 |
| Green Gully Ajax | 18 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 46 | 36 | 20 |
| Ringwood United | 18 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 45 | 41 | 20 |
| Bayswater | 18 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 46 | 43 | 19 |
| Altona | 18 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 29 | 28 | 19 |
| Prahran | 18 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 42 | 46 | 17 |
| Park Rangers | 18 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 28 | 29 | 16 |
| University of Melbourne | 18 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 29 | 41 | 14 |
| Albion Rovers | 18 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 37 | 42 | 14 |
| Frankston | 18 | 5 | 1 | 12 | 32 | 42 | 11 |
| Richmond | 18 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 28 | 75 | 7 |

### DIVISION THREE RESERVES

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Glenroy United | 18 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 45 | 20 | 31 |
| Waverley | 18 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 86 | 23 | 30 |
| Croydon | 18 | 13 | 1 | 4 | 56 | 37 | 27 |
| Heidelberg | 18 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 44 | 29 | 24 |
| Keilor City | 18 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 44 | 31 | 23 |
| Chelsea | 18 | 7 | 4 | 7 | 31 | 34 | 18 |
| Essendon | 18 | 7 | 2 | 9 | 38 | 52 | 16 |
| South Yarra | 18 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 28 | 40 | 15 |
| Princes Park Hercules | 18 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 47 | 55 | 13 |
| St. Kilda | 18 | 5 | 1 | 12 | 26 | 55 | 11 |
| Moorabbin | 18 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 18 | 56 | 6 |
| F.N.D. | 18 | 1 | — | 17 | 12 | 44 | 2 |

### DIVISION FOUR RESERVES

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Yallourn | 18 | 16 | — | 2 | 84 | 24 | 32 |
| East Melbourne Helvetic | 18 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 60 | 25 | 29 |
| Newport | 18 | 13 | 1 | 4 | 56 | 24 | 27 |
| Monash University | 18 | 12 | — | 6 | 39 | 43 | 24 |
| Deer Park I.C.I. | 18 | 10 | 1 | 7 | 55 | 34 | 21 |
| Clayton | 18 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 61 | 45 | 21 |
| Mooroolbark | 18 | 7 | 1 | 10 | 34 | 63 | 15 |
| Rosebud | 18 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 33 | 60 | 13 |
| Doncaster Rovers | 18 | 7 | — | 11 | 21 | 59 | 14 |
| North Carlton Olympic | 18 | 5 | 2 | 11 | 37 | 42 | 12 |
| Mornington | 18 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 19 | 80 | 6 |
| Lilydale | 18 | — | — | 18 | — | — | 0 |

### STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Croatia | 17 | 16 | 1 | — | 66 | 29 | 33 |
| Port Melbourne Slavia | 17 | 11 | 2 | 4 | 40 | 20 | 24 |
| Polonia | 16 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 41 | 27 | 23 |
| Lions | 17 | 9 | 1 | 7 | 35 | 30 | 19 |
| George Cross | 15 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 43 | 27 | 16 |
| Footscray J.U.S.T. | 15 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 40 | 42 | 16 |
| Juventus | 16 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 25 | 29 | 15 |
| Hakoah | 16 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 30 | 30 | 15 |
| Melbourne | 15 | 4 | 2 | 9 | 35 | 43 | 10 |
| Preston-Makedonia | 16 | 4 | 2 | 10 | 26 | 53 | 10 |
| South Melbourne Hellas | 16 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 22 | 45 | 6 |
| Alexander | 16 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 23 | 51 | 5 |

### CANBERRA LEAGUE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Juventus | 14 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 45 | 6 | 23 |
| Croatia | 14 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 33 | 20 | 20 |
| Concordia | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 32 | 24 | 20 |
| Cooma United | 14 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 19 | 21 | 14 |
| Burns | 14 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 26 | 26 | 13 |
| Olympic | 14 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 18 | 30 | 11 |
| Queanbeyan | 14 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 18 | 39 | 7 |
| A.N.U. | 14 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 19 | 44 | 4 |

### NSW DIVISION ONE

| | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apia | 14 | 3 | 1 | 52 | 14 | 31 |
| St. George Budapest | 11 | 3 | 4 | 32 | 24 | 25 |
| Hakoah | 10 | 3 | 5 | 33 | 16 | 23 |
| Pan Hellenic | 8 | 4 | 6 | 48 | 28 | 20 |
| Croatia | 7 | 6 | 5 | 29 | 22 | 20 |
| Canterbury | 8 | 2 | 8 | 35 | 37 | 18 |
| Prague | 5 | 6 | 7 | 28 | 30 | 16 |
| Polonia | 6 | 3 | 9 | 21 | 44 | 15 |
| South Coast | 4 | 5 | 9 | 27 | 35 | 13 |
| Yugal | 5 | 3 | 10 | 26 | 48 | 13 |
| Melita Eagles | 5 | 2 | 11 | 19 | 31 | 12 |
| Cumberland | 4 | 2 | 12 | 21 | 42 | 10 |

### BALLARAT AND GEELONG DIVISION ONE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hamlyn Rangers | 16 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 60 | 13 | 29 |
| Bell Park | 16 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 54 | 15 | 28 |
| Corio | 17 | 12 | 3 | 2 | 53 | 16 | 27 |
| Indesco | 17 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 44 | 27 | 22 |
| Polonia | 17 | 10 | 1 | 6 | 44 | 28 | 21 |
| Geelong West | 17 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 31 | 36 | 16 |
| Ballarat City | 17 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 33 | 40 | 16 |
| Geelong City | 17 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 25 | 42 | 13 |
| Geelong | 17 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 27 | 41 | 12 |
| Mt. Clear | 17 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 16 | 46 | 7 |
| Wendouree | 17 | 2 | 2 | 13 | 16 | 63 | 6 |
| Koscouszko | 17 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 17 | 53 | 5 |

### DIVISION TWO

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bell Park | 17 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 75 | 12 | 32 |
| Corio | 17 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 70 | 22 | 25 |
| Hamlyn Rangers | 17 | 10 | 4 | 3 | 67 | 25 | 24 |
| Geelong | 17 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 53 | 27 | 22 |
| Indesco | 16 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 41 | 34 | 18 |
| Geelong West | 17 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 22 | 27 | 15 |
| Geelong City | 17 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 31 | 35 | 15 |
| Belmont Syrena | 17 | 6 | 2 | 9 | 34 | 31 | 14 |
| Ararat | 16 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 15 | 34 | 12 |
| Wendouree | 17 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 19 | 55 | 12 |
| Ballarat City | 17 | 3 | 1 | 13 | 12 | 58 | 7 |
| Mt. Clear | 17 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 11 | 88 | 4 |

### LATROBE VALLEY SENIOR LEAGUE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rangers | 11 | 9 | — | 2 | 52 | 12 | 18 |
| Pegasus | 12 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 41 | 18 | 17 |
| Monash | 11 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 46 | 20 | 15 |
| Falcons | 10 | 6 | — | 4 | 21 | 23 | 12 |
| Newborough | 9 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 34 | 11 | 11 |
| Fortuna | 9 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 16 | 21 | 8 |
| Moe | 10 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 23 | 40 | 8 |
| R.A.A.F. | 10 | 1 | — | 9 | 12 | 66 | 2 |
| Warragul | 10 | — | 1 | 9 | 13 | 48 | 1 |

### RESERVES LEAGUE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pegasus | 11 | 11 | — | — | 53 | 11 | 22 |
| Rangers | 9 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 35 | 14 | 13 |
| Fortuna | 9 | 4 | — | 5 | 20 | 26 | 8 |
| Wonthaggi | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 26 | 7 |
| Moe | 9 | 3 | — | 6 | 24 | 28 | 6 |
| Falcons | 8 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 18 | 31 | 6 |
| Newborough | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 18 | 20 | 5 |
| Monash | 9 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 15 | 35 | 5 |

## AUSSIES IN A BUMPER FINISH

THE last all-Australian coupon produced only ten draws, so anyone with maximum points can look forward to a bumper pay-out.

Claim by telegram with 24 points on eight match pools and 21 on seven match. Registered letter claims are also required for 23 points on eight match and 20 points on seven match pools.

N S W DIVISIONS

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QUEENSLAND DIVISIONS

[illegible]

VICTORIA STATE LEAGUE

[illegible]

VICTORIA—DIVISION I

[illegible]

VICTORIA—DIVISION II

[illegible]

VICTORIA—DIVISION III

[illegible]

VICTORIA—DIVISION IV

Void: I.C.I. v. Olympic

[illegible]

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—DIVISION I

[illegible]

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—DIVISION II

[illegible]

WEST AUSTRALIA STATE LEAGUE

[illegible]

WEST AUSTRALIA—DIVISION II

[illegible]

WEST AUSTRALIA—DIVISION III

[illegible]

TASMANIA—SOUTH

[illegible]

TASMANIA—NORTH

[illegible]

# ALL THE RESULTS

### NORTH EAST

Albury 2, Benalla 2; Milawa 2, K. Valley 2; Whorouly 6, W. City 0; Cobram 3, Wodonga 2; M'ford 7, Khancoban 3.

**Ladder:** King Valley 26, Cobram 22, M'ford 19, Milawa 17, Whorouly 16, Khancoban 15, Benalla 11, Wodonga 9, W. City 9, Albury 6.

### CANBERRA

Federation Cup semi-final replay: Juventus 2, Concordia 0. Reserve grade semi—Juventus Res. 2, Concordia Res. 1.

Second Division semi-final replays: Monaro 3, Kosciusko 0. RAAF 1, RMS 1.—**Richard Lawson.**

### BALLARAT, GEELONG

DIVISION I: Geelong 4, Polonia 2; Indesco 2, Ballarat City 2; Wendouree 1, Hamlyn Rangers 6; Kosciuszko 2, Geelong West 4; Bell Park 1, Corio 0; Geelong City 4, Mt. Clear 0.

DIVISION II: Bell Park 2, Corio 2; Ararat 0, Geelong West 0; Geelong City 6, Mt. Clear 1; Indesco 4, Ballarat City 2; Wendouree 2, Hamlyn Rangers 1; Geelong walkover Belmont.

### LATROBE VALLEY

SENIORS: Warragul 1, Monash 4; Fortuna 5, Moe 2; Newborough 2, Pegasus 2; RAAF 0, Rangers 13.

RESERVES: Wonthaggi 1, Monash 0; Fortuna 5, Moe 3; Newborough 1, Pegasus 5.

UNDER 10's: Monash 0, Yallourn 2; Fortuna 1, Newborough 1; Moe 8, Koalas 2; Rovers 0, Rangers 10.

UNDER 12's: Yallourn 0, Monash 13; Newborough 1, Fortuna 1; Pegasus 0, Moe 5; Rangers 4, Falcons 0.

UNDER 14's: Yallourn 2, Monash 12; Spartans 0, Fortuna 8; Pegasus 1, Moe 3; Wonthaggi — bye.

LONDON, July 2 (A.A.P.-Reuter) — Sarajevo finished top of the Yugoslav First Division table when the season ended to-day and will play in next season's European Cup.

Sarajevo, who beat Celik 5-2 in their final match, finished with 42 points from the 30-match programme. They won 18 matches, drew six and lost six.

● EUSEBIO headed Europe's individual goal averages. Of sixty-four Benfica goals he got thirty-one for an average of 1.19.

● Best Briton on this list was Southampton's centre forward Ron Davies. He came 13th.

● MELBOURNE is murder right now for referees. Five fans have been arrested for spitting on two officials.

● A third referee, Roger Lamb, got police protection after a player, going to the ref's aid, was hit by a flying bottle.

● MANCHESTER UNITED and Celtic have been pencilling in their European Cup diaries for the coming season. Matt Busby's men will meet Malta's champions, Hibernians, in Manchester on September 20 with the return at the Gzira Stadium, Malta, on September 27.

● CELTIC have marked in September 20 and October 4 as the dates for their hard opening matches as holders against Dynamo Kiev. But, so far, no word from the Russians. This week-end is the dead-line for European date-fixing.

### DOCKERTY CUP
Sunday, August 6

Frankston v. Sunshine City, Bartolo, Hartley, Petterplace.
Waverley v. R'wood City Wilhelmina, Radulovic.
Triestina v. St. Albans (At Fitzroy C.G.), Lamb, Mather, Caruso.
Ferntree Gully v. Box Hill, Randall, Connell, McGhee.

NOTE: Dockerty Cup and Provisional League home teams please advise results to Soccer House early Monday morning — 94 4304, 94 4112.

# WEEK-END REFEREES

### STATE LEAGUE
Saturday, August 5

George Cross v. Slavia (Selwyn Pk., Sunshine), Pedler, Howieson, Ward.
Lions v. Melbourne (Olympic Park), Huddle, Finnegan, McGhee.
Juventus v. J.U.S.T. (St. Kilda C.G.), Lamb, Jackson, Frost.

Sunday, August 6

Alexander v. Hakoah (Schintler Res., F'cray), Straface, Lucas, Riche.
Polonia v. Croatia (Olympic Park), Maitland, Yelland, D. Turner.
Hellas v. Makedonia (Middle Park), Harrison, Wootten, Greenwood.

### FIRST DIVISION
Saturday, August 5

Springvale v. Sunshine City, Contini, Sykes, Keeler.
Sandringham v. Wilhelmina, Bartolo, Light, Lazarich.
Coburg v. Box Hill, Verniers, Musumeci, Kiss.
Moreland v. St. Albans, Armstrong, Mills, Boudrie.
Triestina v. Brunswick, Randall, Francis, Simko.
Austria v. Dandenong, Radulovic, Trevenna, Sach.

### SECOND DIVISION

Ringwood Utd. v. University, Bakens.
Richmond v. Park Rangers, Pavlovic.
Bayswater v. Albion Rovers, Slaats.
Frankston v. Prahran, Muench.
Ferntree Gully v. Altona, Mellings.
Green Gully v. Brighton, Chetcuti.

### THIRD DIVISION

South Yarra v. Waverley, Browne.
St. Kilda v. Keilor City, Dixon.
Flinders N.D. v. Croydon, Muus.
Princes Pk. v. Moorabbin, Walker.
Heidelberg v. Essendon, Didcock.
Chelsea v. Glenroy United, Momont.

### FOURTH DIVISION

Rosebud v. Yallourn, Hartley.
N. Carlton v. Mooroolbark.
E. Melb. v. Deer Park, Hemmes.
Mornington v. Newport, Tuffield.
Monash Univ. v. Doncaster Rovers, Ransom.
Clayton v. Bye.

### PROVISIONAL LEAGUE
Sunday, August 6

West Sunshine v. Parkville, Kiss.
West Preston v. Victoria Star, Lazarich.
R.A.A.F. Laverton v. Sydenham, Sach.
Bye v. Fitzroy.
Carlton v. Yarraville, Simko.

● DORKING in the Athenian League, have been suspended by the League for not paying for their twelve dinner tickets to the League's annual dinner-dance, which took place last May. "I can't remember anything like this," said League secretary Harry Lawrence.

● AMERICA'S favourite sports, listed in their latest opinion poll, shows thirty-nine per cent. of fans are interested in baseball.


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BUSBY—back into Europe.

# Is This Matt's Last Chance?

**TWENTY-ONE years ago a Scots wing-half, whose career hadn't reached the playing heights it might have because of the war, took the plunge into management.**

**At £750 a year, he took over a club, which, in the 30's, had been relegated twice and had been followed by a steadily-diminishing number of fans. Their ground had been blitzed to a shambles.**

## By Ken Holmes

Now it is 1967. In the 21 years he has managed Manchester United, Matt Busby has seen no fewer than 630 English club managers lose their jobs for one reason or another.

He has just guided United to their fifth post-war League Championship and next season leads them again into the European Cup, the one pinnacle left for him to attain.

With it all, Busby remains probably the most approachable, most genuinely-respected manager in football today.

His salary is a minimum of ten times the original, his fame is world-wide, he is a legend in his lifetime—but, remarkably, the man remains the same.

### ● "He's Lucky"

The jealous say of him—"He's lucky."

Nonsense. You don't have luck that lasts 21 years. Luck doesn't see you build **THREE** outstanding teams, especially when one didn't just fade away, but was decimated in an air disaster.

In an age when tactics rule soccer, it is said of Busby that he buys the best players and tells them to get on with it.

Again—nonsense. Sure, he bought Alex. Stepney for £60,000—a record for a 'keeper until Bobby Ferguson went from Kilmarnock to West Ham for £5000 more. Sure, he bought Denis Law for £116,000 — still the British record transfer fee.

**But Tony Dunne, Bobby Noble, Bill Foulkes, Nobby Stiles, George Best, David Sadler, Bobby Charlton, John Aston of the present team—and the backbone of most previous sides in Matt's 21 years—have been bred through United's youth teams.**

Busby scoffs at the "play it by ear" criticism. "Certainly great players will always do great things instinctively out there (waving his arm in the direction of the Old Trafford pitch). That's why they are great players, match-winners—and we have our fair share of them. But we plan, too. Oh, yes, we plan."

I would say that, while others plan set moves and set patterns, United—because of Busby—go in more for the detailed study of every aspect of the immediate opposition, with particular attention to the players turning out against them. They probe weaknesses, and how to take advantage of them, study strengths, and how to cope with them.

You can't, of course, say Busby without saying Murphy. Jimmy Murphy. The Welshman who played with West Brom and Wales while Matt played for Manchester City, Liverpool, and Scotland.

Mutual respect brought them together. They have stayed together through the years when Murphy could have named his own price to boss half the clubs in England.

The official Murphy title is assistant manager. He is better described as one of the team of two who make United tick.

He is as fiery and volatile as Busby is calm and soft-spoken. With typical Welsh adaptability, Jimmy can charm the birds off the trees if he wishes, and, with typical Scots ditto, Matt can rocket anyone with the best of 'em if he cares.

So now it's Europe, yet again, for Busby and United. As one of the pioneers who defied the Football League when European competitions started, he positively burns with desire to win the European Cup.

His pre-Munich side could have done it. His team of two years ago should have done it, but flopped against Partizan (Belgrade) in the semi-final.

United, at their best, **COULD** do it in '68—and their challenge to Celtic gets off to a good start with an easy draw against Maltese team Floriana.

I say at their best because there is a certain brittle quality about the team.

EVEN YET, WITH ALL THEIR EXPERIENCE, THEY CAN BECOME EDGY, UNCERTAIN, IF CONTAINED TOO LONG. THEIR VERY STRENGTH—THE TEMPERAMENT OF THEIR KEY MEN TO PULL OUT THE WORLD-BEATING PERFORMANCE ON THE GIVEN OCCASION—CAN BE THEIR WEAKNESS IF THINGS GO WRONG.

### ● Law's Stand-In

It was a racing certainty that, when Busby went on tour to Australia earlier this summer, he had in mind the signing of another striker and a centre-half to cover, if not replace, veteran Bill Foulkes.

But in Australia, largely because Denis Law was unfit most of the time, young Manchester-born England youth "cap" Brian Kidd matured tremendously as a striker.

As available scorers are hard to find and ridiculously dear to buy, and as Busby will always give youth its chance, Kidd may put a stop—for a spell at any rate—to the buying of one. I say "may" because the recurring Law injuries might make the purchase necessary for another reason.

Busby **WILL** keep trying for a centre-half—he went for Mike England before the big Welshman joined 'Spurs, but opted out because Blackburn Rovers, he considered, put just TOO high a price on their player.

**It is said that, if United win the European Cup at last, Matt will retire as manager and move on to the Old Trafford board. There is no doubt he could.**

It isn't so long since chairman Louis Edwards made a present of shares to him because of his magnificent achievements with and for United.

But **WILL** he go? Recently he said—"I'm too young even to think of retiring." He won't suddenly become that much older in a year!

And the Busbys of this world always find new mountains to climb when they have conquered seemingly every peak in sight.

# WIN ON THE POOLS

# POOLS

## TAFFY'S FOCUS ON FORM

**Again, for the third week running, there should be five-figure dividends for first prize money in the Treble Chance Pools for last Saturday.**

There were only TEN Draws — five in Victoria, four in South Australia and one in Western Australia. The balance of the coupons were made up of 17 Aways, 27 Home winners out of 55 matches on Vernons, and 22 Aways and 30 Home winners out of 63 matches on Littlewoods.

The I.C.I. v. Olympic game was on both coupons but because of Olympic's disqualification this game was void.

Pools promoters in Britain must be happy with the results of the Australian fixtures this year, the average drawn games this season has been on a par with the British results, many games have turned up results against form, like Makedonia winning full points against Polonia, and Alexander sharing points with Slavia on Saturday in our own State League games. These are the results that keep up the dividends, which promoters like.

Here are the Treble Chance dividends in sterling currency for July 22.

LITTLEWOOD'S Treble Chance: 24 pts. £38,850 for 1d., 23 pts. £149 19s., 21½ pts. £73-11-0, 22 pts. £6-5-0, 21½ pts. £1-18-0.

12 Match Points Pool: 21 pts. £5654 for 2d. 20 pts. £91-12-0, 19 pts. £11-18-0.

VERNON'S Treble Chance: 24 pts. £8265-10-0 for farthing, 23 pts. £51-5-0, 22½ pts. £27-5-0, 22 pts. £1-4-0.

Next Saturday week there are no Australian matches on the coupons so it is back to British games, we have English games, and the start of the Scottish season. Div. 1, and 2, also Scottish Reserves with a few Irish matches to make up the number.

The following Saturday the English season starts, then until next May, for the British football punter it is farewell to names like Dalmatinac, Azzurri, Mooroolbark, etc., as they say over there . "those far away places with strange sounding names".

First game on the coupon for Saturday week is between League champions Manchester United and F.A. Cup winners Tottenham, and I think we all, out here, unless you come from London, will have a soft spot for the United. The thrills we saw with young George Best, his body swaying, his feet like magnets to the ball as he tore up the wings, the generalship of Bobby Moore, and, Dennis Law was good, in fact all the visitors we enjoyed, and we'll always remember them.

I don't think Manchester were flat out in their tour games, except when they played Victoria, and don't forget the United never lost a Home League game last season. Tottenham are good, the Spurs won the Cup, that speaks for itself, and they finished third on goal average, the same number of points as Notts Forest.

It will be a tight game but because of home ground advantage and everybody likes to beat the Cup winners, I'm tipping Manchester United to win.

Can Celtic carry on where they left off? Their first game of the season is at home to Dundee United, this in my book is a "Home banker".

Rangers are drawn to play at Aberdeen, a tough opening game, one for the Treble Chance pool.

Now for NEXT SATURDAY WEEK, AUGUST 12, the following should win at Home.

**EIGHT AND NINE RESULTS**

*Manchester United, *Bury Town, *Newcastle United, *Celtic, Falkirk, *Hearts, *Kilmarnock, Partick Thistle, Cowdenbeath, *Raith Rovers, *St. Mirren, Airdrieonians Reserves, Hibernians Reserves, *Rangers Reserves

**FOUR AWAYS**

Luton Town, Sunderland, Queens Park Rangers, West Ham, Preston North End, Fulham, Arbroath.

**THREE DRAWS**

Colchester United v. Northampton Town, Portsmouth v. West Bromwich Albion, Aberdeen v. Rangers.

And for the big money to start the season off with those eight draws in the Treble Chance Pool, I suggest the following:

*Aldershot v. Oxford United, Brentford v. Reading, *Colchester United v. Northampton Town, *Exeter City v. Cardiff City, Morecambe v. Workington, *Portsmouth v. West Bromwich Albion, *Yeovil v. Bournemouth, *Aberdeen v. Rangers, Motherwell v. Clyde, *Albion Rovers v. East Fife, Montrose v. Hamilton Ac., *Stranraer v. Ayr United, Dundee United Reserves v. Celtic Reserves, Ballymena v. Linfield.

* Indicates best selections.

Good luck with the Pommy Pools this season.—TAFFY.

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It should be recognised that Soccer in Australia is a multi-million dollar business, and no large business can survive without a progressive and able management. The game simply cannot afford to lose any more Jim, Bayuttis, men with ambition perhaps, but ambition for the game and the people associated with it.

I know Mr Bayutti has upset many people in Victoria with his article in Soccer News three weeks ago, in which he stated that the administration was 25 years behind the times, and some day I must get around to asking Jim to explain and substantiate this statement. Knowing Bayutti, however, as a man not afraid to voice his opinions, I am sure that his words were meant to prompt this State into positive action to improve the relationships that we have with the other States.

**I am of the opinion that Victoria is the leading Soccer State in most directions, and I would like to see us retain that lead and consolidate it by taking the strong measures now that will ensure the steady growth of our great game in the coming decade.**

I believe that if the standard of the game is to show the continuation of the great progress that it has made in the past five years, it will be necessary to continue with the importation of ready-made players from overseas. But our most urgent task is the promotion of Soccer in schools, and I advocate that the Australian Soccer Federation should devote its substantial funds to this purpose by the appointment of highly qualified Directors of Coaching in each State.

These men should be controlled by the State Federations but the cost should be subsidised by the A.S.F. This would be a better way of spending A.S.F. money at this stage of our development than engaging in star-gazing by organising extensive overseas tours by Australian teams, that if past experience is a guide, will end in financial disaster. In making these appointments, make sure that only top men who can earn the respect of people are appointed, men who are not only good coaches but are presentable ambassadors of the sport.

## My Own Views

In writing this article for Soccer News, I would like to make it quite clear that the views I have expressed are my own. They do not necessarily reflect the views of any other person with whom I am associated in Soccer, either at Club or Federation level.

Accordingly, I would not like to embarass any of my friends in the Soccer world, and I hope that after this is published I will still have some friends among the people who will recognise the fact that I am trying to be constructive in my criticism.

I make them as a true Soccer lover who wishes to see the game progress, and I accept my full share of the responsibility for any mistakes that have been made during the three years I have been associated with it in this country.

My only desire is to recognise the fact that, among the people associated with the game, either as journalists, players or officials, are a small minority who would do us all a favor by devoting their attentions to the alternative codes.

● **HOLLAND had a peculiar football match recently. The players were cassocks. They were mostly Bishops having a bit of exercise during conference.**

● **One goalie was Cardinal Archbishop Leo Suenens, of Brussels. The other Michele Pellegrino was Archbishop of Turin. Result, a draw.**


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## WEEK-END GAMES

This week-end's games are:

**Saturday:** George Cross v. Slavia, at Selwyn Park. Lions v. Melbourne at Olympic Park. Juventus v. Footscray J.U.S.T., at St. Kilda.

**Sunday:** Alexander v. Hakoah, at Schintler Reserve. Polonia v. Croatia, at Olympic Park. S.M. Hellas v. Preston Makedonia, at Middle Park.

# St. George plan big stadium

From MARTIN ASTON in Sydney

**Sydney's St. George Budapest club is planning to build a Soccer stadium at a cost of half a million dollars.**

**The club already has established a luxuriously appointed social club with poker machines at a cost of $175,000.**

Mr. Alex Pongrass, president of the social club, told me this week that it was hoped to complete plans for a modern stadium in the district within five to 10 years.

It would provide covered accommodation for 5,000 and seating for another 17,000.

It also is planned to establish a sporting motel to hold 100 people, a gymnasium, a lecture room and a Sports Medicine clinic.

"We are seeking advice from all parts of Europe, where they have such a sporting centre", said Mr. Pongrass in an exclusive interview with Soccer News.

**"Any sportsman from any other code will be allowed to use the sporting motel.**

"And we are planning to provide free doctor's treatment and any other assistance to our local juniors."

Such a revolutionary plan provides a lesson to every other Soccer club in the country.

The lounge, bar and dining room at St. George Budapest's social club are so luxurious that they have to be seen to be believed.

The tables are made of beaten copper with various motifs of Soccer players in action.

St. George Budapest's captain John Warren is employed by the social club as a public relations officer.

**He writes a column in a local newspaper and organises various functions as well as being on hand to assit the club's full-time secretary Frank Burns.**

"We have 3,000 juniors playing Soccer in the St. George area and we want to help every one of them, if it is possible", said Mr. Pongrass.

"That is why the club is going to appoint a full-time coach for next season.

"He will spend the day coaching at the schools as well as looking after the St. George Budapest first team."

St. George Budapest's example in moving away from the inner city area and becoming part of a district's sporting life should be copied by other clubs before it is too late.

**The club was originally formed by a group of Hungarian migrants to provide recreation for a number of young Soccer players who came here as refugees after the November uprising in Budapest in 1956.**

At first the local sporting public at St. George, which is traditionally a stronghold of Rugby League, were suspicious of a Soccer club which wanted to attach a European title onto the district's proud name.

This has become a thing of the past.

St. George Budapest is now part and parcel of the district's sporting activities since the local residents have realised that the club is sincere in wanting to give a chance to local youth.

John Warren received telegrams wishing him good luck from both the St. George Rugby League and Union clubs after being picked to play for Australia against Scotland.

**"It was only a little thing, but it made me feel tremendously proud", Warren told me.**

"It showed that our club is now really accepted as part of St. George district."

St. George Budapest won this year's Ampol Cup and is currently in second place behind Apia.

## Our man in Malaysia

**Next week the West Australian Soccer team will leave for Malaysia to play in the Merdecka Cup competition.**

The State side does not go with the Australian Soccer Federation's blessing because it is not expected to win honors against some of the top sides in Asia.

But the fact is an "Australian side" will be overseas representing Australian Soccer and because Sir Stanley Rous, FIFA president, said Australia should take part in the Merdeka Cup, Soccer News is interested.

This is why our man JACK JACOBS will be flying with the West Australians to report on their games for us.

Jack will tell readers how the West Australians fare in Malaysia and also something about the standard of the Asian teams competing in the series.

Look for his reports in future issues of Soccer News.


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## RESULTS OF 21 INTERNATIONALS

**Here is the official FIFA list of "A" class international matches with half-time scores in parenthesis from April 9 to June 4, 1967:**

April 9: Congo Brazzaville v. Congo Kinshasa 3-1 (2-0) E. Kalema, Congo Kinshasa.

April 23: Hungary v. Yugoslavia 1-0 (1-0) R. Helies, France.

April 23: Rumania v. Cyprus 7-0 (3-0) M. Gugulovic, Yugoslavia.

May 3: Switzerland v. CSSR 1-2 (1-1) K. Tschenscher, Germany W.

May 3: Yugoslavia v. Germany W. 1-0 (0-0) J. M. Ortiz de Mendibil, Spain.

May 10: Scotland v. USSR 0-2 (0-2) L. van Ravens, Netherlands.

May 10: Finland v. Greece 1-1 (1-1) P. P. Roomer, Netherlands.

May 10: Hungary v. Netherlands 2-1 (1-0) H. Mayer, Austria.

May 14: Albania v. Yugoslavia 0-2 (0-1) X. Costakis, Cyprus.

May 16: Israel v. Scotland 1-2 (1-1) M. Misrachi, Israel.

May 21: Poland v. Belgium 3-1 (2-0) T. Olkku, Finland.

May 21: Rep. Ireland v. CSSR 0-2 (0-1) R. Schaut, Belgium.

May 24: Denmark v. Hungary 0-2 (0-1) W. J. Gow, Wales.

May 24: Switzerland v. Rumania 7-1 (3-0) R. Lacoste, France.

May 24: England v. Spain 2-0 (0-0) I. Zsolt, Hungary.

May 27: Austria v. England 0-1 (0-1) M. Kitabdjian, France.

May 31: Spain v. Turkey 2-0 (0-0) O. Huber, Switzerland.

June 1: Sweden v. Portugal 1-1 (0-1) K. Howley, England.

June 1: Finland v. Norway 0-2 (0-1) A. Jensen, Denmark.

June 3: France v. USSR 2-4 (2-1) D. de Freitas, Portugal.

June 4: Denmark v. Germany East 1-1 (0-1) J. Hannet, Belgium.

## TOUGH TIME FOR WEST HAM

**RON GREENWOOD'S new-look West Ham failed to impress against a slick, efficient Borussia Dortmund in Germany.**

The thrills of last year's European Cup Winners' Cup semi-finals between the two clubs were missing.

Bobby Ferguson, the new £65,000 goalkeeper from Kilmarnock looked good. But his fellow newcomers, Billy Bonds and John Cushley, had little chance to show their class in the heat.

Peter Brabrook hardly seemed to have warmed up when Greenwood replaced him by Peter Bennett.

Billy Bonds, Bobby Moore and Geoff Hurst lasted through the first half then Bill Kitchener, Bobby Howe and Trevor Hartley came on as substitutes.

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## APIA OUT IN FRONT IN SYDNEY

By MARTIN ASTON

The race for Sydney's minor premiership is as good as over.

Apia, the proud holder of the Australia Cup, has taken a lead of six points with only four rounds of the competition remaining to be played.

The club ensured its third such triumph in four years by beating Prague 3-0 and Hakoah 2-0 in last week-end's matches.

Some idea of Apia's depth in talent can be gained by the fact that the club has almost certainly lost international stars George Nuttall and Bill Rorke for the season.

**The only thing which would appear likely to stop Apia from taking out the Sydney championship and Australia Cup is a further run of injuries.**

St. George Budapest faltered in the run home when it was held to a goal-less draw by Pan Hellenic.

The point was a crucial one for Pan Hellenic because it enabled the Greek-sponsored club to sneak into fourth place ahead of South Sydney Croatia.

Croatia continued a recent slump in which the forward line has lost its punch when beaten 1-2 by Polonia's group of old men.

**Scorers were:**

Apia 3 (Campana, Blue, Kerklaan) beat Prague 0.

Apia 2 (Campbell, Hughes) beat Hakoah 0.

Polonia 2 (Krawiarz 2) beat Croatia 1 (Reynolds).

Melita Eagles 1 (Hewlett) beat Canterbury Marrickville 0.

St. George Budapest 0 drew with Pan Hellenic 0.

Yugal 3 (Edwards, J. Alagich, Halpin) beat South Coast 1 (Barnett).

Hakoah 2 (Baartz, Geppert own goal) beat Cumberland United 1 (Christie).


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Lions v. Melbourne (Olympic Park).

Juventus v. Footscray J.U.S.T (St. Kilda Cricket Ground).

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

Alexander v. Hakoah (Campbell Reserve, Moreland).

Polonia v. Croatia (Olympic Park).

South Melbourne Hellas v. Preston Makedonia (Middle Park).

Reserves, 1 p.m. League game, 2.45 p.m.